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Telstar tassels turn Friday evening

By ALISON ALOISIO
Telstar Regional High School's Class of 2003 will graduate Friday evening, in ceremonies scheduled for 7 p.m. at the school.

Sixty-five seniors will receive their diplomas from principal Shawn Lambert.

Graduation week activities began Tuesday, with Senior Awards and Scholarship Night.

On Wednesday the class was scheduled to travel to The Balsams Hotel for Senior Class Day and Banquet.

Tonight (Thursday) class members, family and friends will gather for "A Coming Together" celebration.

Friday night's Commencement will begin at 7 p.m. with "Pomp and Circumstance," to be played by the Telstar High School Band.

Charles Raymond, senior class advisor, will open the ceremony, followed by the National Anthem and a welcome by senior Tom Kelly, a member of the Student Council.

Third honors senior Lauren Hart, salutatorian John Reuter and valedictorian Sarah Gamble will then address those gathered.

"Reflections" will be offered by Kathryn Caddigan and Jessica Adams, followed by the choral selection "We are the Champions."

Kelly Scotti, chair of the SAD44 Board of Directors, will offer congratulatory remarks. Supt. David Murphy, Ed.D. will certify the graduates, and principal Shawn Lambert will present the diplomas.

Class co-presidents Heather

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Russell Baker offers words of wisdom

GOULD COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER RUSSELL BAKER offered the graduates a list of "the wisest things you can do after you have gone forth into the world."

Some of his advice:

"Bend over and smell a flower once in a while."

"If you can't help being an incompetent klutz, don't boast about it by wearing a T-shirt that says, 'Underachiever and proud of it.' You may be proud of being dumb, but do you want to make your parents cry?"

"Don't take a job you hate just because the money's good. Don't major in something that bores you just because you think it will lead to a career where you'll get rich. People who hate their work end up hating their lives and then hating themselves."

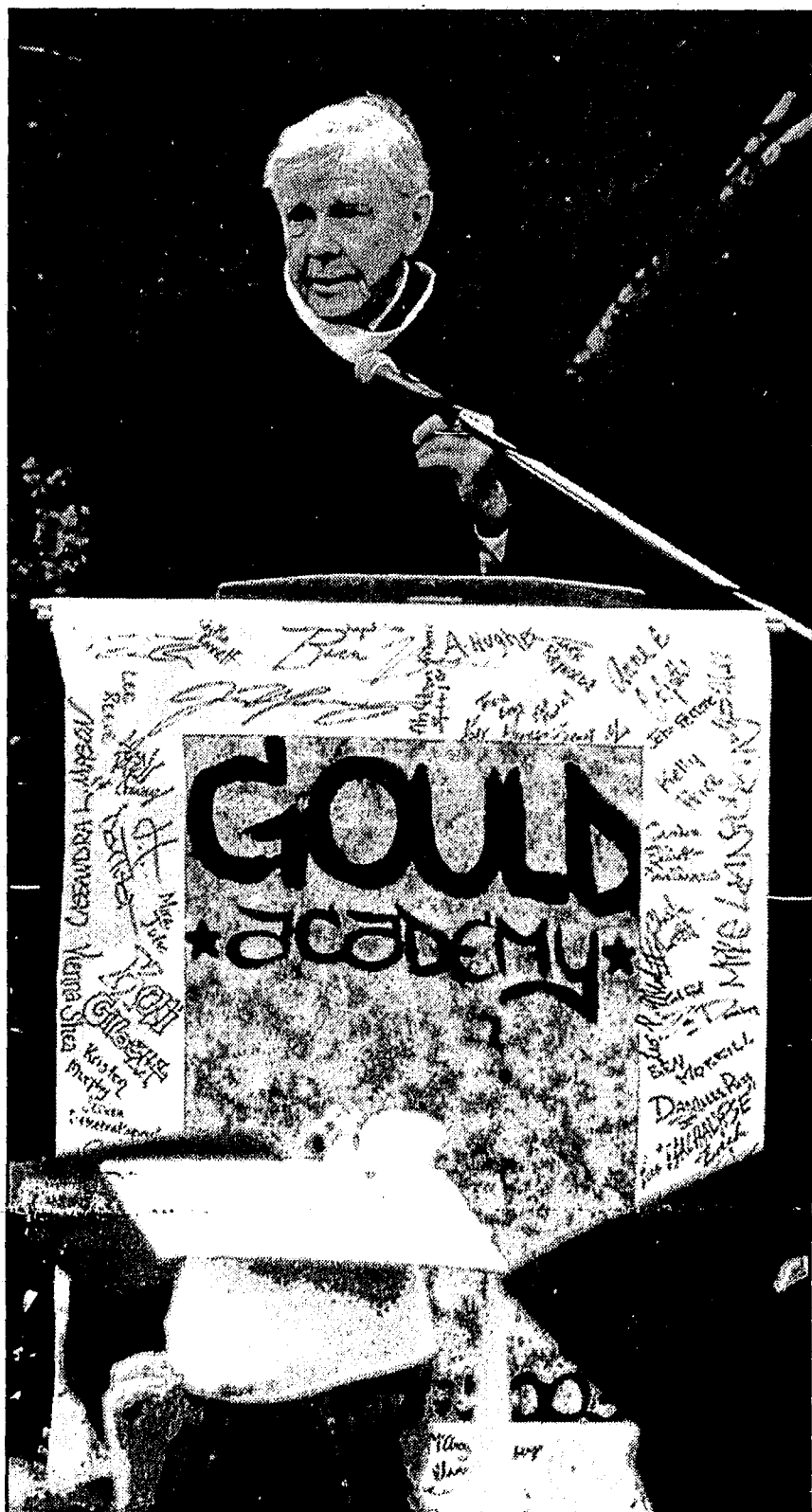
"There are only two ways to get rich that do not lead to a miserable life. One way is to inherit a fortune unencumbered by estate taxes. The other is to do the kind of work and study the kind of subjects that you — yourself — alone — really, really enjoy."

Then, of course, even if you don't get rich, you'll have a very satisfying life doing things you love to do.

"Don't settle for the cynicism of people who tell you that government is your enemy and ought to be abolished. Get into politics. Vote. Run for office."

"Finally, whatever you do, don't leave the thinking to somebody else. Learn to read a good newspaper and real books so you can find out what's going on. Turn off the TV and listen to yourself think your own thoughts."

"This is your world. You are soon going to be in charge. You must care about it, for it is very easy to lose."



Gould Class of 2003 graduates

By AMY CHAPMAN

Gould Academy presented diplomas to 74 seniors at its 167th commencement exercises Saturday.

After a week of rain and despite a dubious forecast for the weekend, the skies cleared in time for the ceremony to be held outdoors on the athletic field adjacent to Ordway Hall. Several hundred family and friends of the graduates were in attendance.

Bagpiper Robert Comeau led the traditional procession of faculty and graduating seniors, and the Rev. Daniel L. Johnson of the West Parish Congregational Church gave the invocation.

Deborah F. Hammond '61, President of the Gould Academy Board of Trustees, introduced the keynote speaker, journalist and author Russell Baker.

Baker, whose granddaughter, Miriam Jube, is a member of the Class of 2003, was a correspondent and columnist for the New York Times for more than four decades. He is the recipient of two Pulitzer Prizes and has hosted Public Television's Masterpiece Theater since 1994.

Baker's comments appear next to his photo here.

Student speakers and awards

William Murphy was chosen by his classmates to present the senior student address. Class of 2003 Valedictorian Matthew Martel from North Woodstock, N.H., addressed the class.

Head of School Daniel Kunkle then announced the presentation of honors to members of the graduating class.

Murphy and Daniel Tutor re-

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Playoffs kick off today on Rebels' home fields

By ALISON ALOISIO

Telstar's softball and baseball teams will each host Western Class C quarterfinal playoff games today (Thursday).

The softball Rebels, ranked first, will face ninth-ranked Monmouth. The baseball team, ranked third, will play 11th-ranked Boothbay.

The softball team's 12-2 record this year is a complete turnaround from last season, when Telstar finished with a 3-11 record. Freshman Jillian Kimball was the winning pitcher in 11 of this year's victories.

The Rebels earned the Mountain Valley Conference championship for the first time in the history of the school. Coach Jim Lunney was also named Coach of the Year.

The baseball team finished 10-4, an identical record to Mountain Valley, whom they defeated 16-1 in the last regular season game. Telstar senior pitcher Wade Osgood is 5-0.

Today's baseball game begins at 1 p.m., while the softball matchup starts at 3 p.m.

Two tracksters take titles

In last weekend's MVC track championships in Lewiston, Telstar's Fred Bailey won the individual titles in the 1,600- and 3,200-meter races. Heather Zimmerman was the champ in the girls' 3,200-meters.

Several Rebels will compete in the state championships in Augusta Saturday. (See complete Telstar MVC results, page 19.)

SAD44 budget goes to referendum vote Tuesday

By ALISON ALOISIO

SAD44 voters go to the polls Tuesday to consider a proposed \$8.9 million school budget for the next school year. If approved, the figure would mean a 3.5 percent increase to the overall local share paid by member towns.

Last year's local share increase was 7.4 percent, and reflected several large capital projects.

The district's explanation and breakdown of the budget appear on page 12.

Among the increases are hikes in the instructional accounts that reflect previously negotiated pay raises, according to administrators.

A jump in the Guidance Account stems from the reclassification of contracted guidance services to a salaried position. A \$50,000 contingency fund appears under the

School Board Account.

A decline in the Buildings, Grounds and Maintenance account resulted from general cuts and the negotiation of new utility contracts. A drop in the Transportation Account resulted from a decision to purchase one less school bus than usual this year.

Other details

Supt. Dave Murphy said this year's budget has been scrutinized in great detail to find potential savings.

For example, he said, some accounts had been routinely budgeted for the same amount each year, but the amounts were more than the staff typically spent. Now the accounts better reflect the historic expenditures, said Murphy.

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Changing police coverage gets cold reception

By MICHAEL DANIELS

The Bethel Police Department got a strong vote of support from nearly all of the 70 or so residents who spoke out at last Thursday's public hearing on the department's fate.

At a special referendum election Tuesday, voters will decide if they wish to disband the BPD and replace it with coverage from the Oxford County Sheriff's Office. In two other articles also on the pre-Town-Meeting-day referendum they will be asked if they wish to commit up to \$1.3 million to the construction of a new fire station, and another \$150,000 for an addition and other improvements at the ambulance service station (see related story).

'The issues Scott and I had are over. ... Let's put that to bed once and for all, please — for the benefit of the town. That's over. We're here tonight on a number of important issues. Scott and I are not one of them.'

DARREN TRIPP
Bethel Police Chief

The Police Department question is by far the least costly of the three — it calls for raising and appropriating \$283,574 to pay for a year of OCSD's, coverage — but the question also elicited by far the most discussion at Thursday's hearing.

The comments were thoughtful, but unequivocal — the speakers

saw no reason to change the present arrangement.

The coverage question was raised by the town Board of Selectmen, initially in an attempt to determine if there was a more cost effective way of providing law enforcement coverage for the town.

But the amount of money called

for in the referendum article is actually \$28,000 more than is included for police coverage (by the BPD) in this year's town budget.

Dot Murphy seemed to sum up the feelings of many when she suggested: "It looks to me that if you've got \$28,000 to blow you might just as well put it right back in the Police Department we have now."

Cost was not the only consideration when the selectmen narrowly (3-2) opted to recommend the switchover. In a fact sheet provided for voters, the board cited the related problem of "a seemingly chronic inability to maintain long-term, quality staffing of the Police

See POLICE, page 4

Old questions linger regarding building projects

By MICHAEL DANIELS

At a public hearing Thursday on proposals to have Bethel spend nearly \$1.5 million on two major building projects, residents raised several questions and critiques.

None of them were new.

Article 3 on the warrant for a referendum vote Tuesday calls for the town to spend up to \$1.5 million on a new fire station, to be constructed at the site of the current station on the town common.

Article 4 calls for spending up to \$150,000 to expand and renovate the ambulance station, at its current

location on lower Main Street.

The proposals, and the specific designs for both projects (see page 4), are the end products of more than five years of study and debate.

But years of study and debate do not lead inevitably to results that satisfy everyone, and that was very much evident Thursday.

Speakers questioned the wisdom of building on the small lots involved, and of constructing two separate stations rather than a single station that would house both services (thus reducing the need for building two sets of sleeping quar-

ters, training rooms, kitchens and bathrooms).

"It doesn't make any sense to build on these locations," said contractor Ron Savage. "It doesn't make any sense at all."

Bob Blake agreed. Regarding the sloping fire station lot, he said: "I personally don't think it's the place for the fire station. It's too small, there's no room for expansion and there's no drive-through doors."

He and others also worried about the likelihood of drainage problems

See BUILDING, page 4

POLLING HOURS, for Tuesday's SAD44, Bethel, and state referenda.

Town	Hours	Location
Andover	10 - 8	Town Hall
Bethel	8 - 8	CPS
Greenwood	10 - 8	Municipal Bldg.
Newry	10 - 8	Town Office
Woodstock	9 - 8	Town Office

'A concrete floor gets kind of hard after a lot of hours.'

EMT DUSTIN HOWE
On sleeping conditions at the present ambulance station

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Letters

HOPE OTHERS ARE INSPIRED

To the Editor:

I would like to congratulate The Citizen on the excellent May 22 article on Tracy Morin. The picture of Tracy and her daughters was especially wonderful and certainly illustrated the point of the article — the celebration of Tracy's graduation and the pride her family, including her husband, share in the accomplishment.

One of the challenges Maine faces is increasing the number of individuals with college degrees. To do this, the aspirations of both adults and young people must be raised. Can anyone doubt that the Morin girls have high aspirations of their own after being so involved in their mother's education?

The Telstar Adult Education program rightly shares in Tracy's accomplishment — as she takes her place in a long line of individuals who have made use of the local adult education program and the support at the Telstar ITV site to achieve their own dreams.

In my new job as executive director of the Maine Adult Education Association, I have spent much of the past year on building formal collaborations with the new Community College System and the University College of the University of Maine System. I have been able to describe a system that I know works — a strong local adult education system for preparation, access to college programs close to home such as ITV classes, and continuing access to both tutorial support and technology such as that provided at the Adult Learning Center in SAD44. I have enjoyed seeing Jean Waite, the director of Adult Education in SAD44, become acquainted with this area and make some very positive changes in the program. I am confident that opportunities for adults will continue to develop under her leadership.

I hope that the article about Tracy Morin, and the tape of the Adult Education graduation on Channel IV, will inspire others to take that all-important first step toward fulfilling their own aspirations. Call 824-2780 to get started.

Cathy Newell
Maine Adult Education Association

THE STARS WERE SHINING

To the Editor:

Two weeks ago the stars were shining in Bethel not only in the sky but also on stage at Telstar Regional High School. I had the opportunity to take in the fabulous '50s musical called "Ducktails and Bobbysox" staged by our local community high school. Telstar students did an awesome job performing for the community. There are some very talented kids in our local public schools. To the crew of 30-plus students and to the cast of 26 performers, congratulations on doing a fine job.

Stage director James Rose, music director Jennifer Bennett, accompanist Thomas Coolidge, and Tim O'Connor set construction, are to be commended for having the spirit and drive to bring theater back on the stage at Telstar. We are lucky to have such dedicated faculty.

As a community, we can be proud that our local public schools support the arts. I am already looking forward to next year's spring production.

Linda Howe
Bethel

GOOD YARD SALE STUFF NEEDED

To the Editor:

On Saturday, June 21, the Bethel Rotary Club will once again sponsor its annual Yard Sale and Auction at Telstar High School. The yard sale will begin at 8 a.m. and continue throughout the day. The preview for the auction will start at 5:30 p.m. followed by the auction at 6:30 p.m. As always, it promises to be a lively event with hundreds of items and thousands of dollars worth of gift certificates from local merchants. Refreshments will also be available.

In the past, this auction has successfully raised funds for scholarships, senior citizen activities and other community related projects. Businesses interested in making a donation to this worthwhile event are encouraged to send their donations to the address listed below. Individuals wishing to donate items to the auction may call to arrange for pick up.

This year, the Rotary Club is also entertaining the option of encouraging individuals to consider donating "big ticket" items such as cars, snowmobiles, etc., with a percentage of the final price going to the club and the remainder going back to the donor. For more information on this option, feel free to contact me at 824-2041.

The Bethel Rotary Club has been fortunate to enjoy the overwhelming support of the community for many years. We hope you will join us on June 21 for another exciting evening.

Dave Murphy
Chairman, Bethel Rotary Club Auction

LAND TRUST GARDEN TOUR

To the Editor:

Eight Bethel residents will open their gardens this Sunday, June 8, for the first annual Mahoosuc Land Trust garden tour. Some sun this week will bring their early summer gardens into bloom. The gardens range from in-town areas to back yards, woodland and open space. They include, to name some samples, a locally famous rose collection, plants that in theory shouldn't grow here, and "ultimate" vegetables.

To participate, come to the land trust office on Main Street (right behind Mt. Mann gems) between 1 and 5 p.m. on Sunday, June 8. There you may pick up your ticket, a map of the garden locations, and a free plant. Your \$10 donation will directly support the land trust. For questions or reservations, call Ginger Kelly at 824-2686 or e-mail ggkelly@megalink.net.

Lucia Owen
for Mahoosuc Land Trust

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REMEMBERING PEARLINE McMILLIN

To the Editor:

Pearline McMillin's death this week removes another of the people who were active in the early days of my professional association with the Bethel Historical Society. At the time I began my duties at the society, she was the organization's bookkeeper, so I visited her often to bring invoices and income and pick up the checks for payment to the various accounts. During these visits I heard much about Pearl's version of the town's recent history. I enjoyed listening to her stories on the numerous personalities she had come to know since her marriage to Roderick S. "Mush" McMillin, a much beloved Bethel figure.

She was very proficient at keeping the books and we were in good hands in those three years she served the society in this capacity. She and her close friend, Carolyn Brooks (who also died earlier this year), were "regulars" at society meetings and events during this time until it became increasingly difficult for her to get around easily. After that, I would occasionally call her for information and she was always pleased to talk. She never lost her interest in the society and sometimes called me when she read something she liked in "The Courier."

Several times during those years in the 1970s, she mentioned how much she resented looking out her side yard to what was then a service station parking lot. I offered to find some trees and plant them, which I did. After they grew to some height, they shielded her view from the parking lot. She never let me forget how grateful she was for that favor. Nearly every time I talked with her she would express her appreciation for "Stan's trees." Now that she is gone, I don't know what the future of "Stan's trees" will be, but I know they made a difference in her life. I just was glad to help.

Stan Howe
Bethel

MUSICAL THEATER THANKS

To the Editor:

I would like to express my most sincere thanks to all who helped bring musical theater back to Telstar High School. The support we received from the citizens and businesses of the SAD44 communities was overwhelming, both in terms of financing and encouragement. People told the students that what they do is important and those gifts to them will last their lifetimes. Thanks to all again for making possible the rebirth of such a great program in our public schools.

Jim Rose
Teacher/Director

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Candidates reply:

Incumbent selectman Reggie Brown and challenger Francis Dumont reply here to questions posed by the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce.

1. What is your vision of the Town of Bethel in terms of its business growth during the next 10 years?

Brown: I don't envision Bethel village changing a great deal in the next ten years other than some small growth in the service industry. I would, however, envision some sort of development at Bethel Station and the Airport Industrial Park. Any development will need the efforts of the selectboard and the residents of Bethel. I believe that in order to attract any economic development, we must promote Bethel as a place that can support growth as well as a great place for people to live and work. Available housing for a middle-class work force is at a premium in the town of Bethel and will have an impact on economic growth here.

Dumont: As we all know the farming and mill industries have significantly decreased over time. I have observed the ski industry coupled with summer tourism dictates the growth of our local economy. As you know, we are not easily accessible for industrial development so we should really focus on promoting small business growth in our region. I believe luring other businesses and small industry to Bethel would require stepping up and offering some tax incentives as well as offering a reduction in the SSDC fees.

2. Given the emphasis on economic development as a planning issue in the town's Comprehensive Plan, what should the Town of Bethel be able to do to promote economic development? For example, the Comprehensive Plan called for an assessment of the need and location options for a business park. How do you feel about the Bethel community undertaking such an assessment?

Brown: I am very much in favor of Bethel doing an assessment of the need and location options for a business park. As I am sure you are aware, we have lost most of our manufacturing tax base over the last ten years. We need to explore every avenue available to help us regain this tax base and help with our property taxes. I feel very sure there are many in our community that would be willing to volunteer to help the town manager and the Board of Selectmen to undertake such an assessment. As a Selectman, I would support most any proposal that would promote economic development in Bethel. During the nine years that I served on the Planning Board, I tried to help businesses to meet the Site Plan. We tried to give as many variances as possible to help area businesses.

Dumont: I don't feel at this time that there is a need for a business park in the Town of Bethel because there are plenty of spaces available. We should utilize the space we currently have. In the future should the need be more evident, I would gladly support location options and other necessary research for business park development.

3. What steps would you, as a selectman, support in an effort to promote economic development? For example, is it practical to reduce or modify the Sewer System Direct Charge (SSDC) as an incentive to attract new business? Would you support the town pursuing funding for improvements to the airport as presented in the Airport Master Plan? Would you support pursuing Tax Increment Financing, if appropriate, to encourage business development and expansion?

Brown: I am always open to new ideas, but at the present time, I would not reduce or modify the Sewer System Development Charge. Bethel's sewer system is expensive to operate and there are still a lot of capital improvements to be made and debt from the last expansion to be paid. There are very few ratepayers on the system, and eliminating the SSDC would mean that the extra expense would be passed on to them.

Dumont: As Selectman, I would support modifying the SSDC fees to promote economic development and encourage my fellow Selectmen to do so as well. I believe the airport is an important piece of infrastructure that has a great impact on future revenues for all businesses in the Town of Bethel. I would pursue necessary funding for continued improvements at the airport and am pleased with the changes to date. I would also support Tax Increment Financing for business development and expansion. We all want growth and a better economy for our town. We must not sit back and wait for it to happen. We must get involved and make it happen.

4. If elected (reelected) as a selectman, what opportunities for working with the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce do you foresee for promoting economic development in Bethel? For example, would a community-wide planning session involving both business leaders and town officials that addresses economic development be a worthwhile endeavor?

Brown: If reelected as Selectman, I would wholeheartedly support a planning session involving both business leaders and town officials that addresses economic development. I would like to see a committee appointed to actively search out new business. I am aware that to do this properly it may take some funding, and I would support that expense.

Dumont: I think it would be a good idea to meet with representatives of the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce to discuss economic development and how the Board of Selectmen's actions might negatively or ideally positively affect economic growth in our region.

SAD44 budget

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The proposal originally prepared by the administration staff pared the budget down to a 2.5 percent local share increase. But, said Murphy, that left the district with no room for error if a large, unexpected expense arose.

So administrators recommend the additional 1 percent (\$50,000) be included in the contingency fund, with the provision that a vote of the board would be needed to spend it.

Administrators are also proposing that \$430,000 in undesignated surplus be used to reduce the local

assessment.

The budget includes a built-in increase of nearly \$400,000 from previously negotiated personnel contracts. Health insurance benefits have gone up between 10 and 15 percent, Murphy said.

There are no new academic programs proposed for next year, but a new full-time position of curriculum director has been created. It is currently part-time.

A full-time director would better oversee curriculum development for the entire district, and help

SAD44 comply with the federal "No Child Left Behind" student assessment mandates, said Murphy.

Also new to the budget are computer lab setups for the Andover and Woodstock elementary schools, to bring them up to the technological equivalent of Crescent Park Elementary School.

The proposed adult education budget, at \$220,000, shows an increase of 2 percent. Most of that is attributable to SAD44's share of the Region 9 Adult Education program.

From the Bethel Police Log:

Wednesday, May 28

At 8:30 p.m. the animal control officer assisted an officer with a car-moose accident on Route 26.

At 10:02 p.m. police responded to a car-moose accident on Route 26 in Newry. The Fire Department was dispatched for a transmission fluid spill.

Thursday, May 29

At 10:50 p.m. police received a report of a loud explosion and a power failure in the area of Paradise Road and Vernon Street. The officer found a CMP truck had already located the problem.

Friday, May 30

At 1:38 a.m. the officer observed a person standing behind some bushes on Main Street. It was found to be two females walking home from a restaurant. They said they had seen police around town, and did not want to be stopped and "hassled." The officer explained that walking up Main Street would not get them stopped as quickly as hiding behind bushes would. They were sent on their way home after a brief explanation of suspicious activity and public drunkenness.

At 3:05 p.m. police were asked to see what kind of material a landscaping company had spilled in the road on Route 26. There was nothing toxic. It was a mixture of blue grass seed, water and paper mulch. The Fire Department was called to see if it should be washed off the road.

Saturday, May 31

At 1:10 a.m. police were asked to assist a county deputy with a report of more than 150 juveniles at a party in Woodstock. The officer assisted in clearing the group and securing alcohol.

Our Back Pages

Compiled by JOHN BROWN

10 years ago: Alan David Verrill of South Woodstock received his doctor of medicine degree from the University of Vermont College of Medicine.

Gould Academy took the Maine Prep League baseball title with a 7-0 record.

Bethel Rotary Club hosted six visitors from Australia as part of an Australian Group Study Exchange.

Anne Walker of West Paris observed her 101st birthday.

Telstar Rebels lost to Erskine Academy of South China, 16-4, in a Western Maine Class C preliminary baseball play-off contest.

Births: Whitney Lynn Palmer, Victoria Dyan Forkus, Anna Blizabeth Haberman-Fake, Andrew James Keith, Whitney Virginia Davey.

Deaths: Rev. John P. Howe II.

20 years ago: The Rev. Randall Chretien received his divinity degree at Bangor Theological Seminary.

Over 200 attended the SAD44 Adult and Community Education commencement program at the Telstar cafeteria. There were 24 members of the graduating class.

Births: Justin Michael Parker, Todd Ian Parker, Kyle Stanley Retallick, Darin James Morse, Christie Lynn Flanders.

Deaths: Gertrude Vinal Hastings, Clarence P. West, Eunice M. Sprague, Jennie M. Coburn.

30 years ago: Pauline J. Sweetser, Telstar junior, was selected as one of six Maine students to be summer apprentices at the Maine State Museum in Augusta. During the summer she would learn museum techniques of taxidermy, exhibit display, photography and model making.

Mr. and Mrs. Deane Churchill and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clough were fêted at a going-away party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dana Douglass in Mayville.

Barry M. Berghi, special assistant to the director of the Environmental Protection Agency, was the speaker at the 1973 Gould Academy commencement exercises.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Taylor of Gilead were honored at a surprise 40th anniversary party at the Mundt-Allen Post American Legion Hall in Bethel.

Birth: Mark Allen Belanger.

Deaths: Kenneth A. Cox Delano, William K. Simmons Sr., Mrs. Elva K. Ring.

40 years ago: Nelson Smith, airman, USN, was serving aboard the aircraft carrier, USS Lake Champlain.

Dr. James Hudson and family moved into the William Ladd Chapman place on the Locke Mills Road. Dr. Hudson was renovating the barn and basement into a small animal hospital.

Capt. Harry W. Lyon of Paris Hill died at the VA Hospital, Togus. He was the navigator on the Ford trimotor "Southern Cross" in 1928 when it flew across the Pacific Ocean from San Francisco, Calif., to Australia via the Hawaiian Islands.

There were 63 members of the graduating eighth-grade Class of 1963 at Crescent Park School.

Officers of the re-activated Bethel Players were Mrs. Fenton Robertson, president; Mrs. Murray Thurston, vice president; Mrs. Robert Tift, secretary, and Mrs. Richard Bryant, treasurer.

Births: Tammy Lee Dunham, Sheryl Ann Richard.

Deaths: Spencer A. Brookes, Mrs. Frances Clough, Harry Hutchinson, Gilbert C. Barker, Mrs. William Woodsum.

50 years ago: Miss Helen Varner's sixth-grade class at Crescent Park School visited Perham's Mineral Store at Trap Corner in West Paris.

Gould Academy retained the Oxford County track championship.

Births: Paul Edward Billings, James Hugh Thurston.

Deaths: Mrs. Mary J. Cole, Mrs. Anne Ring Allen, Almon F. Jordan, Richard C. Lawrence, Fred A. Weeks, Arthur L. Lang.

60 years ago: Bethel Grammar School graduated 27 eighth graders in exercises at William Bingham Gymnasium.

70 years ago: Miss Faye Sanborn (Mrs. George Taylor) was a member of the Designers Art School in Boston.

80 years ago: The Methodist parsonage on Main Street was sold to G.N. Sanborn. (Now the home of Donald and Eleanor Brooks.)

100 years ago: Maine Supreme Court Justice Enoch Foster gave the Memorial Day address at Bethel.

The Bethel Creamery Company opened on June 1.

Marriage: Horace E. Walker and Clara Wyman

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Briefly

Portland teens party in Bryant Pond

WOODSTOCK—The Oxford County Sheriff's Department said its officers did everything they could Friday night to prevent Portland High School students who had been drinking from leaving an after-party in Bryant Pond. Police say about 100 teenagers went to the party, at a rented condominium in the former Boiler Room restaurant site. All but a half dozen admitted drinking beer or liquor, according to Capt. Jim Miclon, who was at the scene. He said the five police officers present performed field sobriety tests on those who said they had not been drinking, and allowed them to drive friends back to Portland. Miclon said the condo owner had come to the property and asked police to make the teens leave. Miclon said officers helped some get motel rooms. Others stayed in their cars, after an officer took their keys for the night. No one was arrested. Police are investigating possible liquor law violations and may file charges. Parents of some of the students have since expressed concern about tired teens driving back to Portland that night. (See Bethel Police Log.)

Beefcake calendar helps buy trailer

BETHEL—Donations and funds raised from the sales of the Bethel Fire Department's "Beefcakes of the BFD 2003" calendar have allowed the department to purchase a 10-by-5-foot spill-response trailer to deal with fuel and other fluid spills. The calendar sales raised \$400. MeadWestvaco Corp. donated \$1,000 toward the \$5,000 cost of the equipment.

Skiway Road will get new base

NEWRY—Selectmen have finalized a decision to choose the higher bid of two offered by contractor Steve Swasey to rebuild the Skiway Road. Swasey was chosen last week from three contractors to do the work. His proposal of \$337,500 includes placing 18 inches of new gravel for the road base. A lower-cost proposal of \$264,590 did not; it proposed instead grinding up the existing base and reusing it. Sunday River Skiway engineer Joe Aloisio, who is assisting on the project, said that after close inspection of the road he believes new gravel will be needed on most of it. As a result, selectmen declined to spend \$3,000 for test borings of the road to get exact information on the composition of the base. Aloisio will discuss with Swasey details for a final contract, to also include raising the grade in two places to improve the drainage, and completing a stretch of bike path near the Sunday River Inn. The work is scheduled to take place this summer.

Bies: School budget hike too much

WOODSTOCK—Selectman Steve Bies told his two fellow board members Tuesday he believes the SAD44 School Board and administration did not do as effective a job as they should have in holding down next year's budget. District residents vote Tuesday on an \$8.9 million budget that represents a 3.5 percent average increase in the local share. Woodstock's increase, however, will be 6.95 percent. Compared to last year's 7.4 percent average hike in the local share, caused in part by capital projects, this year's 3.5 percent figure "is not outrageous — it's just too high," said Bies. "They (school directors) legitimately have other concerns, but they're not paying enough attention to the bottom line." Bies expressed similar sentiments at a district budget hearing May 27. Town manager Vern Maxfield said Woodstock's valuation jump that led to this year's higher share came from high-end real estate sales two years ago. There is a two-year delay in the effect of such sales on state valuations for school budget purposes. (See article on budget referendum, page 1, and SAD44 budget information, page 12.)

Ousted again, Keiser sues

PARIS—Following his dismissal from a modular home company he helped establish, Ed Keiser has filed suit against his former business partner and the partner's accountant. Keiser claims that Robert Farnham Jr. and accountant Faris Saba ousted him from KBS Building System Inc., in spite of assurances Keiser would run the business and have a 50 percent voting interest. The arrangement also called for him to have only 25 percent ownership interest, he said. The KBS plant was completed last summer on Route 26 land that Keiser purchased with \$320,000 of his late uncle's money. Keiser, who started Keiser Homes of Oxford in 1992, acted as general contractor for the KBS project. He was also removed by majority investors at Keiser Homes.

Color Center destroyed by fire

NORWAY—The Norway Color Center was destroyed by fire last Thursday morning. Firefighters from nine towns fought the blaze, which started about 5 a.m. in the basement. The owner's son and his family, who lived in an upstairs apartment, escaped without injury. The Color Center is owned by Arnold Pendexter of Oxford and Verna Pendexter of Norway. A mixture of water sprayed on the fire and chemicals from the paints, solvents and lacquers in the store drained into the nearby Pennesseewassee Stream. Firefighters placed boom pads to try to contain the leakage. The cause of the fire has not been determined. Damage was estimated at \$250,000. The business opened in 1972.

Northland burns

BERLIN, N.H.—A popular restaurant and ice cream spot has burned down. The Northland Dairy Bar and Restaurant caught fire Saturday afternoon around 1 p.m., causing diners to evacuate. Police say they had the fire under control by 6 p.m. No one was injured in the blaze.

Breast/cervical health services

BETHEL—The Bethel Family Health Center has recently joined a network of primary care providers who work with the Maine Breast and Cervical Health Program. The program currently serves more than 4,000 Maine women to provide mammograms, breast exams, and Pap tests at no cost for those who qualify. Women interested may stop in at Bethel Family Health Center for an application, call the center (824-2193 or 800-287-2292) or call the Breast and Cervical Health Program at (800) 350-5180. Maine women age 40-64, who have high deductibles, no insurance, or not enough insurance to cover screening costs are eligible. The enrollment form is simple and short, income limits are generous, and many Maine women qualify. Breast and cervical screenings are necessary for all women over age 20, to watch for early signs of cancer and other changes, according to BPHC. Women can take a step toward good health by having a clinical breast exam and Pap test yearly, and an annual mammogram beginning at age 40. Regular screenings can save a woman's life by detecting precancerous changes or early signs of cancer when it is most treatable.

Arts Council to hold annual meeting

LOCKE MILLS—The Mahoosuc Arts Council's annual meeting will take place Wednesday, June 18 at the home of chairperson Chris Otten, in Locke Mills. The meeting will be held from 5 to 6:30 p.m. The council invites interested members of the community to attend. It will be an opportunity to meet with the Board of Directors and other council members and to share information and ideas. For directions, call the Mahoosuc Arts office (824-3575).

Saddleback needs buyer to reopen

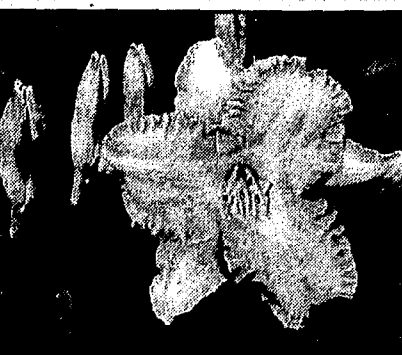
RANGELEY—Saddleback Ski Area won't reopen next winter unless someone buys it. Saddleback owner Donald Breen is retiring from the ski industry. His daughter, Katherine, said that unless someone buys the 40-trail resort near Rangeley, it won't be in business. Saddleback bills itself as the last "uncrowded" big mountain skiing resort in Maine, but some have said the lack of crowds were a sign of financial trouble. Ski areas in Maine have struggled because of several warm winters and lack of enthusiasm about rising lift ticket prices.

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Police

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Department."

But no one in Thursday evening's audience seemed to think that having the OCSB take charge would remedy that problem, and some thought such a move would only make things worse.

"If you have a problem and you turn it over to another level of bureaucracy you're not going to solve the problem," said Howard Chapman, "You're going to hide the problem."

And if the problem is addressed by another agency, he said: "They're going to pass the bill back to us."

Police Chief Darren Tripp also questioned the severity of the turnover problem.

"Since I became chief in 1998, there's never been a single shift that's gone uncovered in the town of Bethel," Tripp said.

Local knowledge, local control

A number of speakers also stressed the importance of having a Police Department staffed with officers who knew — and were accountable to — the people of Bethel.

"If there's a crisis in your family, it's great to know the people who are out there," said Bob Chadbourne.

Other speakers feared the loss of local control if police coverage here were to be managed out of South Paris (the headquarters of the OCSB).

"I really don't want to give up local control. If we have a problem, we go right to the chief, and if we don't like what he's saying, we go to the selectmen," said Bob Everett. "I don't want to go to South Paris and try to find Skip (County Sheriff Skip Herriek) or Chief (Deputy Jim) Davis," Everett said. "Local control is the best way to go."

No one argued that point. The OCSB was represented at Thursday's meeting by Chief Deputy Davis, who explained how county coverage would operate.

The contract cost, he said, would include salaries and benefits for five deputies, which is one more officer than the BPD's current full-time complement.

"Personally I think one of the problems you have with your people is the shifts they have to work," Davis said.

If Bethel rejects county coverage, he suggested, the selectmen might want to look at a similar level of staffing here.

Davis also said the proposal to provide coverage in Bethel was not an initiative of the Sheriff's Department.

"I don't want anyone here to get the wrong idea. The Sheriff's Department didn't come into town and attempt to make a sale to the town of Bethel. We were requested to submit a proposal for your selectmen to look at."

Dutch Dresser, chairman of the Board of Selectmen, said the proposal was a product of the selectmen's ongoing responsibility to "continually review the delivery of services."

In the end, he said, "The voters will decide how this goes. That's absolutely the way to do it. And regardless how that process goes we'll be the better for it."

Near the end of the meeting, Tripp drew applause when he sought to distance the decision before voters from the recent conflict between himself and Town Manager Scott Cole.

"The issues Scott and I had are over," Tripp said. "Scott and I have stepped up to the table as professionals. We have come to some conclusions. I have met him half-way, and he has met me. Let's put that to bed once and for all, please — for the benefit of the town. That's over. We're here tonight on a number of important issues. Scott and I are not one of them."

Buildings

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at the site, especially in the winter.

For their part, supporters of the plans did not attempt to argue that they represented an ideal solution to the problem of how to deal with the current undersized and deteriorating stations.

Rather, they said, the plans under consideration were workable alternatives that met the needs of the services involved while still keeping in mind the financial realities faced by the town.

For instance, said Dutch Dresser, the problem has been studied for more than five years and at one point plans had been prepared for a combined fire-ambulance station in Bethel Station, later for a similar station on the current fire station site.

But in both cases, he said, the costs were prohibitively high.

Several years ago the Public Safety Committee "drew up plans for a wonderful building at Bethel Station," he said, "but it was frightfully expensive (\$2.5 million)."

Last year, a less costly (\$1.9 million) proposal was developed for a combined facility at the current fire station site.

But the selectmen pulled the proposal before it could be voted on at Town Meeting, deeming it still too expensive, said Selectmen Al Barth.

"It would have cost an exorbitant amount," Barth said. "There's no way we would take that to the public."

User support

The two services that would use the new buildings both support the plans currently under consideration.

Deputy Fire Chief Mike Jodrey said the new station would meet the department's needs for up to 50 years.

And if the growth of the town eventually created a need for larger facilities, he said, smaller substations — rather than a single consolidated headquarters — would be the logical way to go.

EMT Dustin Howe cited a number of inadequacies at the current ambulance station, especially given the increasing number of calls the service is dealing with.

For example, he said, there is not enough room to securely store patient records (as is now required by federal law), and there are no sleeping quarters for on-call staff who live too far from the station to sleep at home.

"A concrete floor gets kind of hard after a lot of hours," he said.

The Board of Selectmen is recommending residents approve both projects. The vote in both cases was 3-1 (with Al Barth, who feels the town should look more to regionalization of service, in opposition).

The town Budget Committee deadlocked (6-6) on its fire station recommendation, and voted 5-7 to recommend against the ambulance service project.

Bethel annual Town Meeting

Bethel voters will meet at the Crescent Park Elementary School at 7 p.m. Wednesday June 11 for the sit-down portion of the annual Town Meeting.

If the selectmen's proposed municipal budget of \$2,358,350 passes, it will represent a drop of \$53,564 from the past year's budget of \$2,411,914. The \$2,358,350 figure does not include the cost (\$1,450,000) of a new fire station and an ambulance barn expansion, which the selectmen are also recommending.

The Budget Committee is recommending a budget of \$2,356,098. Neither proposal includes Bethel's share of the SAD44 school budget or the Oxford County budget.

Our readers thoughts on the issues facing Bethel voters

THANKS FOR THE INFORMATION

To the Editor:

I would like to thank the selectmen for supplying the information regarding the proposed change in the local Police Department. I asked for reasons why I should vote for the change and they supplied one: "the chronic inability to maintain long-term, quality staffing of the Police Department." If there were any other reasons given, please forgive me, I missed them.

Does anyone seriously believe that the Bethel branch of the Oxford County Sheriff's Department will be staffed by anyone other than rookies? Is it credible that the ambition of every deputy on duty here will "not" be to be promoted out of town? It would seem to me that Bethel would be the logical location for novices to learn the ropes before moving into the main force of the Sheriff's Department. And we are asked to pay more for this "benefit"?

Once again I thank the selectmen for producing their reason for the change so that I can make an informed decision.

Chad McGrew
Bethel

VOTE NO ON #5

To the Editor:

Referendum Question #5 asks if we would agree to enter into a contract with the County of Oxford for our law enforcement coverage at a cost of \$283,574. The question does not tell you that this is \$27,969 more than what we will pay for our own Police Department and to maintain the coverage we now have. The selectmen and the Budget Committee are in favor of going with the county. They say that this is "in response to a seemingly chronic inability to maintain long-term, quality staffing to the Police Department."

Chief Tripp has never had difficulty in filling any positions to the department, nor does he have any trouble finding qualified personnel to fill any shift. At the present time, we have six part-time officers with over 56 years of combined experience and our two full-time officers (excluding the Chief) have over eight years' experience. They are all required to go to monthly training sessions.

Please vote "no" on this question and retain "our" Police Department and local control. Please show the officers that we support their efforts to keep us safe and protected.

J. Susan Wight
Bethel

KEEP THE P.D. LOCAL

To the Editor:

Tuesday, we will be presented with a referendum question that authorizes the town to dissolve its four-person Police Department and enter into a contract with the Oxford County Sheriff Department to provide police service to the community. I believe we should not vote to dissolve our Police Department for the following reasons:

1. I believe our local police force has done and continues to do a very good job. Darren Tripp is very dedicated and has the town people's best interest at heart. If any of us need help or assistance, it is very comforting to know the people who will have to deal with it, know the community and its people, and can respond quickly and thoughtfully.

2. Cost — We are being told that it will cost about \$30,000 more to have county protection. This figure does not include any funds that in my opinion will be needed as an enticement to keep the current officers on duty during the 90-day transition period. It also does not include the cost of starting a local Police Department up again should the town, at some point in time, elect not to renew the contract with the county.

3. Much has been said about Bethel's inability to hire a fourth, full-time police officer. I was very disappointed to hear at the public hearing that a hiring freeze had been in place since January. It was not an inability to hire a fourth, full-time officer, it was an unwillingness to allow the chief to hire the fourth officer.

4. There has also been discussion about the fact that Bethel ends up being a training ground for people who would like to become a police officer and then move on to a larger community, which offers more opportunities. At the public hearing, Howard Chapman was correct in stating that this problem will still exist regardless whether the town is providing the police protection or the county is providing it.

Let's keep our local Police Department local.

Bob Chadbourne
Bethel

SUPPORT THE RESCUE STATION

To the Editor:

We would like to thank all the people who attended the public hearing on Thursday, May 29. It was nice to hear all the good things that people had to say about our Rescue, Fire, and Police departments. We hope that these people will show their support for us on June 10 and 11 during the voting on the referendum questions and at Town Meeting.

As you probably know, we are asking for an expansion to our rescue station, which will include an office area and sleeping quarters. We need the office area to ensure the privacy of our patient records and our personnel records. The sleeping quarters are needed because many of our volunteer members live too far away from the station to respond to calls from their homes. Currently, these volunteers are sleeping on a mattress on the floor in our training room/meeting room/office area. We are very lucky to have such dedicated people on our service, and it is time that we provide them with more appropriate accommodations at night.

Many people have asked why we are not looking into a combined station with the Fire Department. This possibility was investigated at great length, and last year a very nice facility plan was presented to the selectmen for consideration. Due to the high cost of around \$2 million for the combined station, the selectmen decided not to put that proposal out to the public. Since that plan is too expensive, the next best proposal is to expand our station to accommodate our needs at a cost of about \$150,000 and for the Fire Department to request a new station to accommodate their needs at a cost of about \$1,300,000. This is the plan that is being presented during the referendum vote on June 10. Please come out and show your support for us.

David T. Hanscom and Amy L. Hanscom
EMT-Bs for Bethel Rescue

GOOD OF THE TOWN IS HIS GUIDE

To the Editor:

We are writing in support of Reggie Brown's reelection to the Bethel Board of Selectmen. We believe that his record as a member of the Planning Board and, more recently, the Select Board clearly demonstrates his concern for the best interests of the entire community. Both of us have had dealings with him as we have brought issues before the Board of Selectmen, and have found him willing to consider all sides of an issue before taking a principled stand. It is not necessary to agree with all his decisions to understand that he acts with the good of the town as his guide. Please consider supporting Reggie with your vote next Tuesday, the 10th.

Allen and Jacquelyn Cressy
Bethel

CLEAR CONCERN FOR THE TOWN

To the Editor:

I would like to express my appreciation for the work Reggie Brown has done for the citizens of Bethel and to support his bid for reelection as a member of the Bethel Board of Selectmen.

Reggie is perhaps the best prepared member of the current board. The questions he raises and the opinions he shares at board meetings demonstrate that he has thoroughly prepared for each meeting through reading and review of available information related to the topics at hand. His questions and comments also show that he has frequently sought out those closely associated with the topics under discussion to gather their views and understandings. In a time when strong opinions formulated with little regard to the information underlying the issues at hand are increasingly common, this methodical effort to fully understand the matters of the town before reaching conclusion is extremely valuable to the citizens of Bethel.

Reggie's deep history with Bethel and his clear concern for the well-being of the town make him a strong representative of all the citizens of Bethel. Please give him your support on election day.

Dutch Dresser
Chairman, Bethel Board of Selectmen

SELECTMEN AND APPOINTMENTS

To the Editor:

I would like to clarify a point referenced in a recent letter in the Citizen. I was reappointed to the Water District Board this past January. Voting to reappoint me were Jack Cross, Don Bennett and Al Barth. Voting against my reappointment were Reggie Brown and Dutch Dresser.

A year earlier both Brown and Dresser voted against reappointing John Gray to the Water District Board. John Gray was one of the brightest and most dedicated Water District trustees that I have had the privilege of serving with over the past two decades. No explanation of any merit has ever been presented for this heavy-handed action. By this arbitrary and capricious act, the town has lost the services of John Gray as a citizen volunteer both on the Water District Board and as chairman of the Town Budget Committee. This is simply unacceptable conduct on the part of our elected officials.

I intend to vote for Francis Dumont for selectman next Tuesday, and I hope many of you fellow citizens will join me in voting for Francis. It is far past time for change at Town Hall.

John B. Head
Bethel

DO NOT CONDEMN HIM FOR INTEGRITY

To the Editor:

I have a few things to say.

First and foremost, I am overwhelmed by the ongoing expression of condolence and concern I have received since my wife was killed March 10. This support from the Bethel community has emphasized to me what a wonderful place I am fortunate enough in which to live and participate. Thank you all.

Second, I strongly feel Bethel's needs are best met by retention of local control of our Police Department and I strongly support Chief Tripp.

Third, there have been two written attacks on one of our selectmen in recent weeks. I have known Reggie Brown since I moved here from Boston in 1975. I hold him in high regard. I respect his concern and devotion to any job he takes on. I did not agree with the decision not to reappoint John Gray, but fully concur with the idea of replacing John Head. Reggie and I are often on opposite sides of an opinion, but I do not condemn him for his integrity. Please do not take this a statement against Francis Dumont. He was a member of the same Fire Department that Reggie and I served. He sits with me on the Appeals Board. I am sure that, if elected, he will do his best. Please do take this note as a request to consider overall performance and do not allow yourselves to be reduced to single-issue voters.

Lennie Shaw
Bethel

HONOR AND PRIVILEGE TO SERVE

To the Editor:

The last six years as a Bethel selectman has been a very rewarding experience for me personally. It is a position that I take very seriously. I have a keen interest in town government. I trust my ten years of service on the Planning Board as well as my tenure as selectman will help me to serve Bethel well.

As I look back at the reasons for seeking my first term, I find that they have not changed. I firmly believe that selectmen should work together for the good of the community and that a personal agenda should not influence a selectman's decision. I believe in the need for economic development and good comprehensive planning without the need for zoning. We must maintain our quality of life as well as provide some sort of industry to keep our children and grandchildren in this community. We also need to continue to upgrade Bethel's streets, roads, and sewer as the funding allows. It is exciting to see the development at the airport. And as I look at Davis Park and the use that it gets, I feel that the development of a sports park with ball fields, basketball court, and tennis courts would be of benefit to the residents of Bethel.

Reggie Brown
Bethel

Al and Lee Barth, Bethel



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Anthony Liberti with his parents, Michael and Christine.

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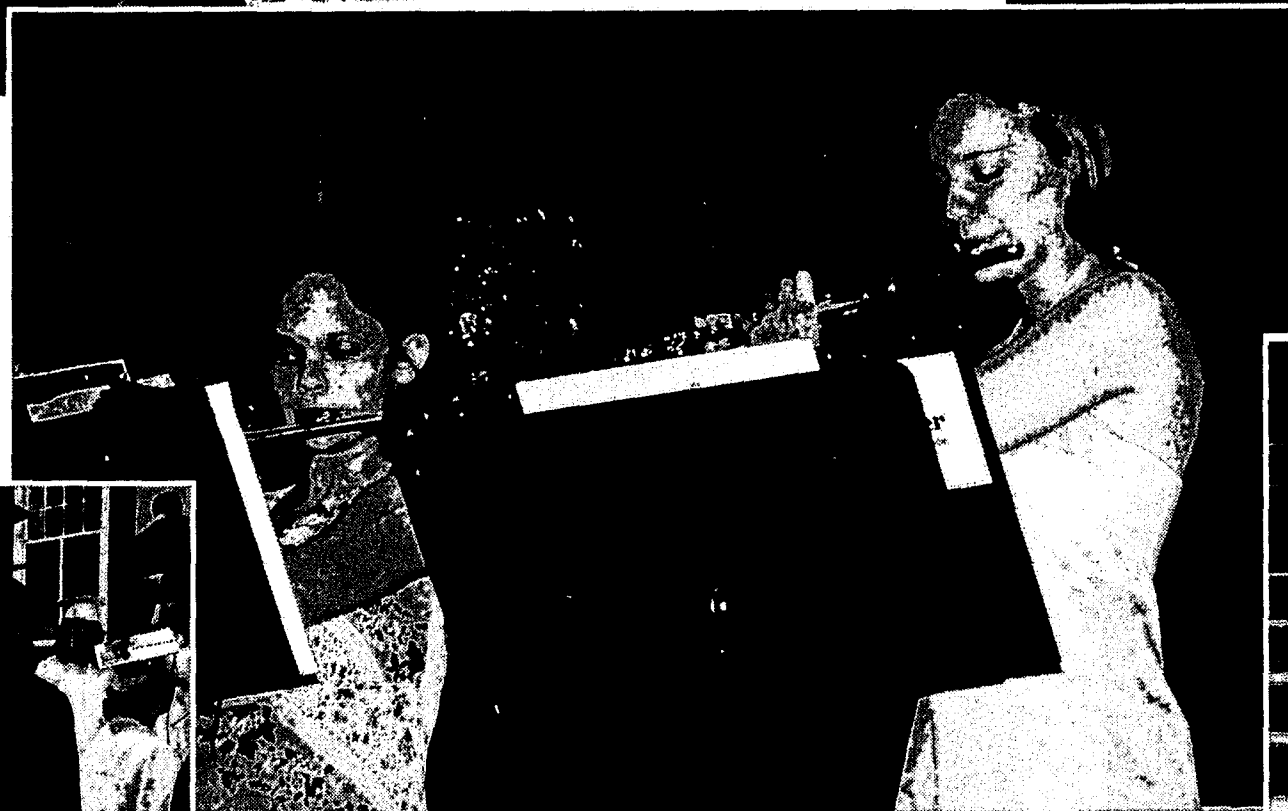


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Bagpiper Robert Comeau leads the
commencement procession.



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English teacher
Sara Shifrin '88
helps Matt Martel
pin on his rose as
Chris Leonards
looks on.

Below:
Kristen Murphy and
Charlie Merritt.



Above:
Anne Colpitts and Kristen Murphy at Friday's
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Above:
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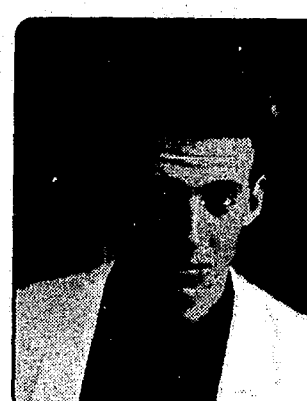
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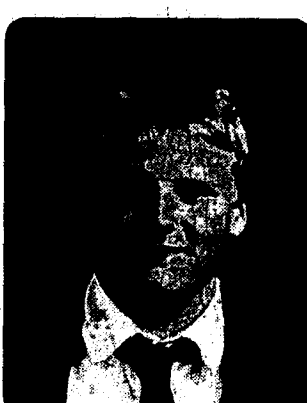
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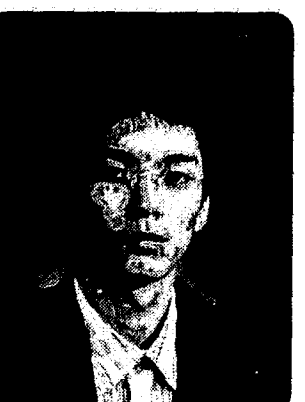
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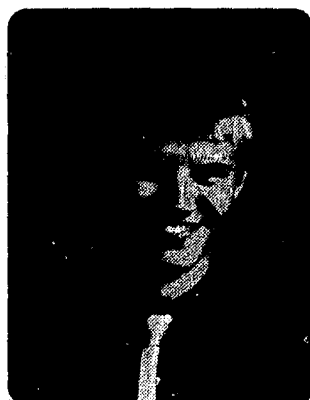
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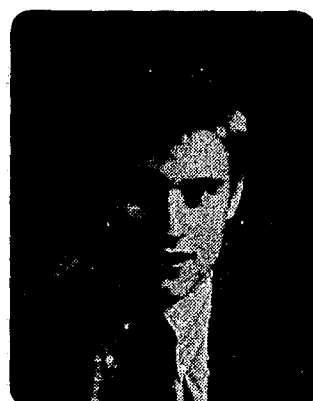
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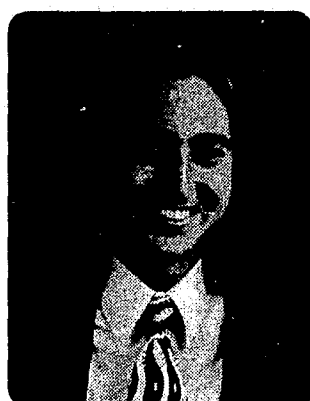
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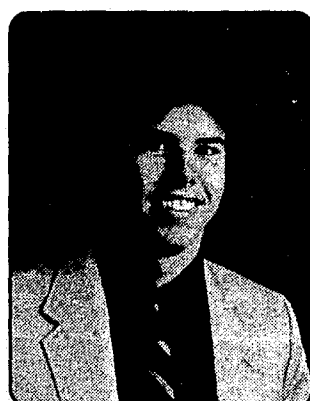
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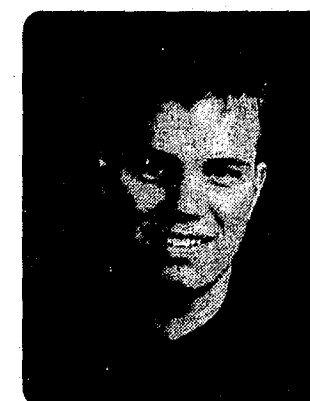
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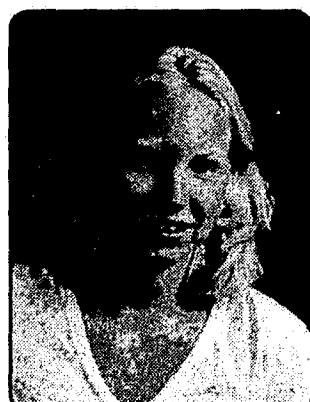
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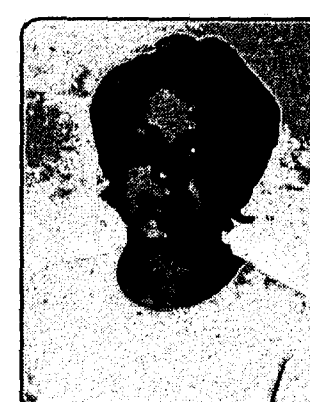
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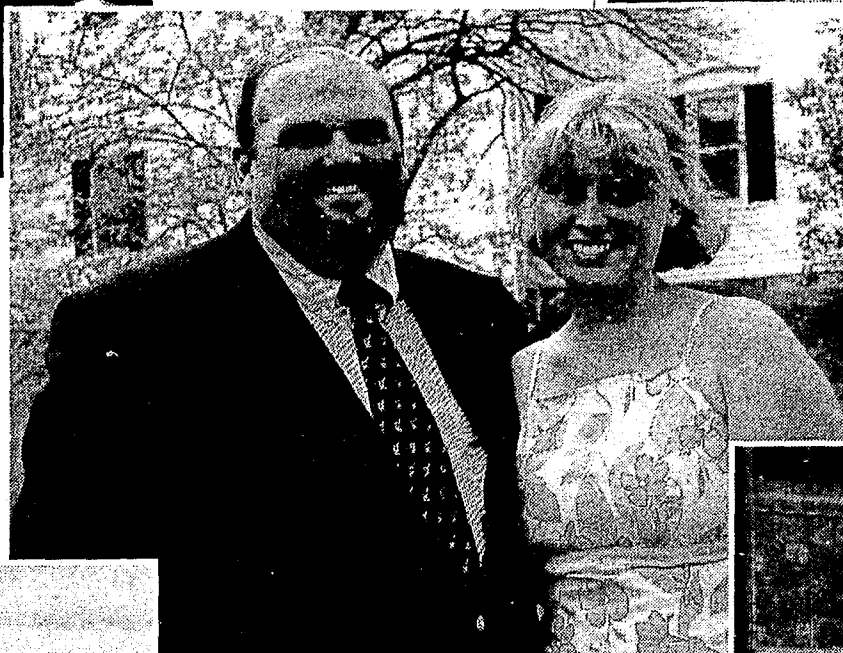
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Ah Yeon Mun of Seoul,
Korea with her family.



Above:
Brady Wheatley, Kelly Price, Tricia Bean, and Kim Lockrow.



Below:
Lauren Jacobs with her father, Charles
Jacobs, Gould Academy Class of 1966.



Above:
Ashley Oliver with her father, Jim.



Left:
Keri Gilbert stops to
smell the lilacs.

Below:
In Jae Kim, Kian
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Friedman express their
gratitude to English
teacher Sara Shifrin '88.



Above:
Hadley Planting and Kane Olson
receive congratulations.



Above:
Anne Colpitts belts out a
solo as the chorus
performs at the
commencement concert.



Above:
Cassie Mason & Bill Murphy



Left:
Lee Reeve and
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Mollyockett Day Treasure Hunt

A new event has been added to the fun for this year's Mollyockett Day celebration - the Mollyockett Day Treasure Hunt, hosted by the Mahoosuc Arts Council, with The Bethel Citizen as lead sponsor.

Mollyockett was a Pequawket Indian who lived among and befriended the early settlers of Western Maine. Second only to her medical reputation as the great "Indian doctress," was Mollyockett's fame as a storyteller. She was a well-known guest at many homes, and some of her tales were passed down through the generations. Most famous are the "treasure stories" - the burying of Indian gold in West Paris beneath a trap hung in trees, and similar tales involving White Cap in Andover and Hemlock Island in East Bethel.

The Mollyockett Day Treasure Hunt will commemorate those tales by offering a \$500 cash prize to the person(s) who finds the hidden treasure, in this case a medallion. The object of the hunt is to decipher a series of clues and locate the medallion hidden on public land somewhere in the greater Bethel area environs of Oxford County. The finder of the medallion may claim the cash prize on Mollyockett Day.

Clues, each different and more revealing, will be published once a week for six weeks in The Bethel Citizen or until the medallion is found. This year, Mollyockett Day takes place on July 19. If the medallion is not found by midnight, Friday, July 18, the hunt will be terminated.

Treasure Hunt Rules

Anyone is eligible to join the thrilling hunt for \$500 except employees and immediate family members of the Sun Journal and The Bethel Citizen and board members and immediate family members of the Mahoosuc Arts Council as well as all contest sponsors and partners. To claim the prize money, you must be 18 years or older.

The finder of the Mollyockett Treasure Hunt medallion must immediately return the medallion to Vicki Rackliffe, executive director of the Mahoosuc Arts Council. The finder will receive the cash prize of \$500 on Mollyockett Day, July 19. Clues for the Mollyockett Treasure Hunt will be hidden weekly in the Bethel Citizen beginning Thursday, June 12, unless the medallion is found prior to publish date.

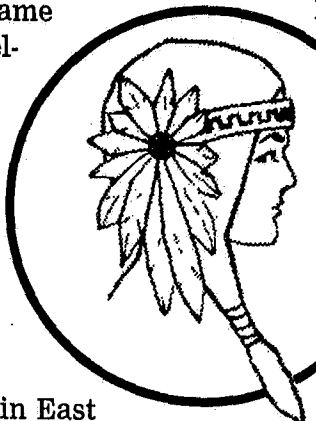
If the medallion is not found by midnight July 18th, the Mahoosuc Arts Council reserves the right to terminate the hunt.

The medallion is made of aluminum and is approximately two inches in diameter. It will be hidden only on public land in Oxford County. The Mahoosuc Arts Council reserves the right to discontinue the hunt at any time if public property is destroyed.

The medallion is generally hidden in or attached to something else.

The medallion is not buried below ground - as the rules state, searchers do not need to destroy property to find it, this includes digging up the ground. Searchers also do not need to risk personal injury to find the medallion. All contestants agree that the Bethel Citizen and the Mahoosuc Arts Council will have no liability whatsoever and will be held harmless of any injuries, losses or damages of any kind resulting in whole or in part, directly or indirectly from acceptance, possession, misuse or use of the prize or participation in this contest.

The winner grants permission for the Bethel Citizen and the Mahoosuc Arts Council to use his or her name, photograph, voice and/or likeness for advertising and/or publicity.



Bethel



by Virginia Keniston
The Bethel Garden Club has been busy this past week making our town beautiful, with gardens on the Parkway as well as right on Main Street. They have been doing this for the past ten years. Good job, everyone.

There will be a tour of local gardens this Sunday, June 8. Jean and Greg Waite and Amy Davis attended the SAD17 Viking Chorus Concert on Thursday evening - the last of the year. Nora and Owen Davis were participants. Ben Kellogg was honored at a surprise retirement party for his 25 years with P.H. Chadbourne Co. on Saturday evening, with approximately 40 Chadbourne Tree Co. staff and spouses attending.

Mike and Amy Davis attended the concert of the Androskoggin Choral at Olin Art Center, Bates College. Susan Wight sang in the chorus.

The Cross Country Quilters met on Tuesday at June Abbott's for lunch and workshop. This group meets from 1 to 3 p.m. Tuesdays at the Bethel Library or at the Robinson House.

There was a Father's Day gathering at the home of Harlan Hutchins, Clark Street, on Saturday. Following the service, attendees met at the home of Jeff Hutchins on the North Road.

The Plant Sale at the Bethel Library was a great success and very well attended.

The Red Hat Ladies met on Friday at Libbey's Restaurant in Gorham, N.H. Next meeting will be at the home of Ellen Crocker on North Road, on June 27 at 6 p.m.

Karen Hutchins, daughter of Mark and the late Pam Douglass Hutchins and granddaughter of Barbara and the late Dana Douglass

Jr. and Lee and Ginny Hutchins, graduated from the University of Maine at Orono with a BA in Communications, magna cum laude and with highest honors.

At the May 30 meeting of Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge, four tables played a Howell movement. Coming in first were Pete Cummings and Richard Allen. Nancy Farmer and Don Hitch were second, and Barbara and Paul Beegel and Don Johnson and Rowena Palmer tied for third.

Hanover



by Clem Worcester

The Rumford Point Community Athletic Association baseball season has begun. The Babe Ruth team (ages 13-15) opened with a solid 11-6 win over the Rumford Elks. Andrew Morton led the hit parade with three singles and Thaddeus Bennett clubbed a towering home run into the pines in left field. Cory Devore pitched shut-out ball in the sixth and seventh inning to preserve the win. In Little League (ages 10-12) action, the team opened up with a 10-7 victory over the defending champion Mexico Lions and a spirited 6-4 loss to the Dixfield Red Sox. Adam Dupris, Garrett McPherson and Matt Duka led a strong pitching staff with Wade McPherson, Tyson Hanson and Emily Davis to power the offense.

With thanks to Jeff Sterling for supplying the inside story, we hope to continue RPCAA coverage during their season.

The Hanover Community Neighborhood Watch meeting was Tuesday. Special guest speaker was Brian Keezer from District Seven of the Department of Transportation. Mr. Keezer outlined new changes along Route 2, Howard Pond Road and Mill Hill Road. The

40 mph zone in front of the town office and the boat ramp will be moved westward several hundred yards. Also, traffic paint will be changed to indicate an intersection at Mill Hill Road. Speeds on the Howard Pond Road will be posted at 25 mph from Route 2 to midway up Primrose Hill where it will become 30 mph until the present 40 mph zone, which will become a 35 mph zone. The 20 mph zones in the Howard Pond area will remain the same. Mill Hill Road will be posted at 20 mph. The changes were in response to citizens' request and were outlined in a letter to DOT from the Hanover Selectboard.

The Community Neighborhood Watch group is looking for ideas for our own design for signs indicating our existence in the community. We could use your help. Jot down your ideas and drop them off at the town office. Your plan could be our signature.

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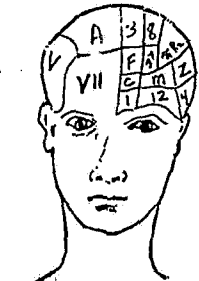


by Rockie Graham

Sad to say but this will be my last column from Sunday River Valley. Through no fault or decision of my own, I am leaving the neighborhood. Soon the house that has been my home these past 15 years shall be torn down. Tasha and I are relocating to the wilds of Waterford. We will still be seen in the Valley and Bethel, though not all the time. We are joining the household that I have called the Hart Compound. It is now the Hart/Graham. It includes others, too. Tasha has a new dog house and is content to sit in it and view the activity going on around her.

The Hart family was kind enough to assist in my move. It meant moving many boxes and some furniture. Friend Nancy helped, too. Thanks

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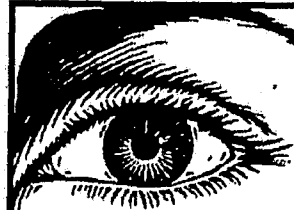
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The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

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I have been in a state of denial, (which is not a river in Egypt) for quite some time. I have denied to myself that my weight gain is as bad as it really is. I have made jokes about the shape I'm in; I'm round, round is a shape; therefore I'm in shape.

I have refused to acknowledge the impact on my health that a lot of excess poundage causes, even though a simple act like tying my shoes is a challenge.

Age has been a convenient scapegoat for everything that ails me. I really don't think that fifty-five is all that old, but it sure provides excuses for everything from stiff achy joints to fatigue. The fact that I am five feet tall with a medium size frame carrying the weight of a 6 1/2 footer with a giant frame is not something I have wanted to closely examine.

Two things happened last week that have forced me out of the state of denial into the state of reality; no travel agent needed.

The first event was walking (waddling) past a large plate glass window. I always avoid looking at my reflection, but something in the window caught my eye and I turned to look at it. Well, there I was, bigger than life, looking right back at myself. I was dressed in green that particular day and to me I looked just like prime acreage in motion. I was so depressed over what I saw that I hightailed it to the nearest ice cream stand and had a hot fudge sundae to comfort myself.

The second thing that happened involved my four-year old grandson, Elijah. This child is the sweetest, happiest go-lucky little boy in the whole world and you know I never exaggerate. He always makes me smile no matter how bad of a day I might be having. I am absolutely sure that Elijah doesn't have a mean or malicious bone in his body. That's

why it caught my attention when he said to me "Mimi, you have a big butt, a really, really big butt."

I was shocked. It wasn't because I didn't already know that I have a big butt, but I didn't know that Elijah knew I had a big butt. One of the wonderful things about a four-year old is that they are not judgmental. The other wonderful thing about them is that they are so blatantly honest.

I guess the time has come for me to evaluate and do something about my ever-increasing girth. I have been in denial too long. Besides, summer is



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almost here and I hope to be able to put on a pair of shorts by Labor Day without too much embarrassment. Though my flabby thighs don't show too much right now because my fat stomach covers them, it would be nice to think that that problem will be greatly reduced in the next three months.

I don't think I'll jump right into exercise because I'm in no shape to exercise. I used to belong to a health club, but after a year of membership I was in no better shape than when I started. I guess you actually have to go there to have it do any good.

There is no point in doing toe touches because I can't really see my toes. I think if God wanted me to touch my toes he would have placed them a little higher up on my body.

Maybe exercise will come later when I'm in better shape. My first line of attack has to be the fat and I'm going after that with one of those herbal programs. Now that they are all

ephedra free I'm willing to give them a try.

I'm sure you have heard about them, though I can't mention any names here. This program involves a high-protein shake for breakfast and lunch and a sensible meal for dinner and lots of herb based pills.

I have a pretty good idea how this program works; the high-protein shakes, the pills and oh yes, lots of water, have me spending so much time running to the bathroom that there is no opportunity to eat a lot of junk. Plus, all that jogging to the bathroom has the added benefit of making me exercise.

The problem with this is that I'm in my car a great deal of the time that I'm working so I have to learn where all the public bathrooms are. Did you know that not all public bathrooms are created equal? There are some pretty dirty johns out there in the Oxford Hills.

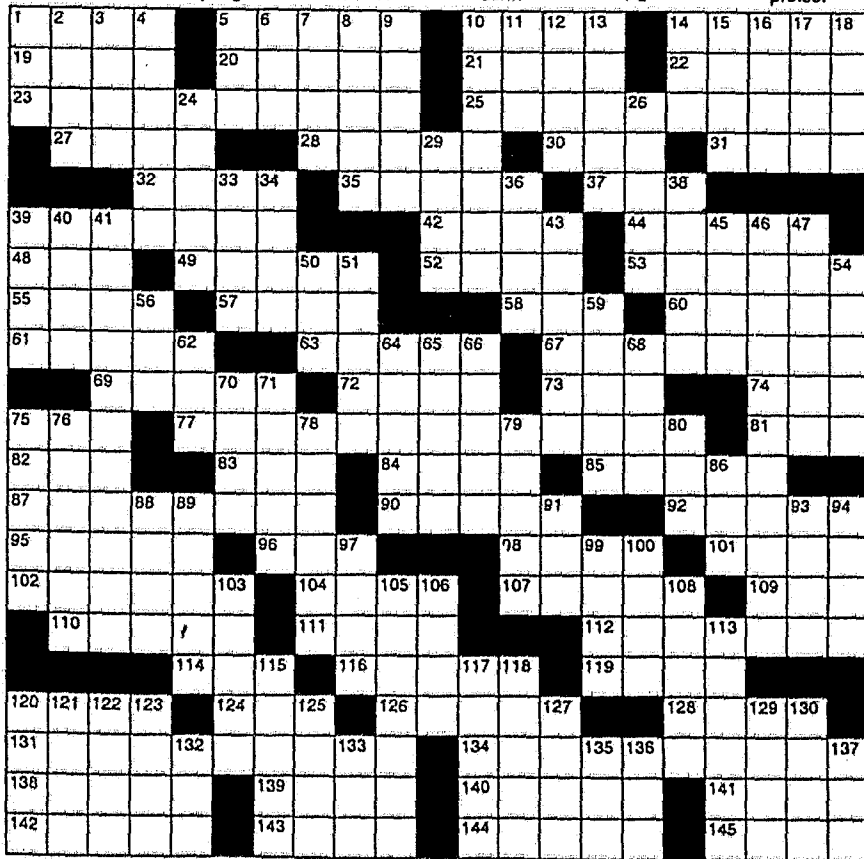
There is nothing worse than making an emergency stop because you have to go so badly it hurts only to find the facilities so disgustingly dirty that you can't bring yourself to use them. And when you do manage to find a suitable restroom and relief, you discover too late, that there is no toilet paper. Do people steal this stuff?

I'm sure that at some later date I will do a column on "Public Bathrooms I Have Known." But for now I will just concentrate on losing some weight. I know it will take quite some time to get to the size I want to be, but I am hoping that a year from now I will be half the woman I currently am.

I know I'll be happier with myself not to mention much healthier and the way I see it my grandson will be proud of me, no butts about it.

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go to all. The heaviest item was my wood stove, but I couldn't live without that. I love to sit next to the stove and bask in its warmth. David loves it, too, as he's always cold. Tasha tolerates it for small periods of time, especially if she's wet, but not for long. Now she's become a total outside dog. We shall see how well that works. So far, she gets enough attention that she doesn't mind not being indoors.

The ticks seem to be making up for lost time this week. I pulled two off me and I hadn't even been in the woods. Black flies are there, too. One of the things I love about the Valley is that both the black flies and the ticks show up later there than elsewhere. They also leave earlier because of the last and early frosts.

I will miss the Valley and all the people I've come to know and love. I won't be far and won't be totally gone as I will still be working at the transfer station. That is good. I like to keep old friends while I'm making new ones. Who knows, when we build our house, maybe it will be in or close to the Valley. That is if we can find land at a reasonable rate and sell Dave's place to make some money. That is a while away.

In any case, good bye to all. For those who enjoy my writing, look for my new Waterford column. For those of you who live in Waterford, call me with your news and anecdotes. Call at 743-0583. Leave a message. If I don't return your call, call again. Sometimes the kids take the message — need I say more.

Hopefully, this will print okay and I won't have to set up my computer. I e-mailed Polly last week as a trial run, but did not get an answer. That would mean she didn't get it.

Take care, enjoy the weather (even if it rains, we need it and can

have a good time.), and watch out for moose. They are definitely out and about.

Mason Township



by Richard Grover
Big doin's in Mason last week. Big sister's granddaughter,

husband, Norm, finally had their baby, about two weeks after his predicted arrival date. Dylan Thayer Greenberg arrived Sunday morning, weighing in at a hefty 9 pounds, 1 ounce. Of course, great-grandmother is really proud and happy that her "favorite granddaughter" and new son are doing well.

Not only that, but Big Sister also had a houseful of company all week, with son Skip and his wife, Robin, and Skip's son, Matthew, and his girlfriend all spending the week with "Gram."

Don and Elsie Aylward enjoyed a brief visit by Don's brother Bob from Connecticut. While here, Bob went flying with Chris Merrill in Chris's "new" Cessna 150. I'm told Bob barely fit into the airplane's cockpit. That kind of tan-looking Cessna is becoming familiar to folks in Mason, as it cruises in circles around some of the relatives' homes every now and then.

Mona and I also enjoyed my son Dean's family visit to Mason last week. It's always special to me to be with Dean for a while, as he is suffering from the effects of a debilitating illness, which saps much of his energy. Of course, the eight-year-old twins are a joy, too. They kept Grandpa Rich busy throwing

rocks in the brooks, sawing wood with a handsaw, and tending the campfire and marshmallow roasts. They also kept Snuffy exercised, what with throwing and fetching the "ball on a rubber band" dog toy. The rain and drizzle didn't slow them down much, but mom had to wash quite a few extra pairs of wet socks and trousers. All in all, I think the whole city of Mason enjoyed the week.

Gilead



by Elise Caswell

Hello, June.

You are certainly giving a stormy first impression. After nine days of

ambivalent May, at least you step into the picture with attitude. This partly cloudy, partly showers, partly sunny business is just hesitant spring's way of not having to make a commitment. She's been on summer's side of the fence just enough to seduce me into planting my basil and tomatoes. But now face to face with June's wind and rain, I'm awfully worried about my babies.

I find myself down on my knees in my garden. I am bug bitten and filthy, my nails and my clothing caked with mud. I remind myself of a piglet bathing in warm, wet earth. My garden is my pew and my planted seeds are my prayers. As I wallow about in my garden process, I'm continually amazed by the self-knowledge that I gain. For one thing, I've discovered that I'm far more comfortable planting seeds than seedlings. I think it has to do with letting go sooner. Seeds are at home in the elements when they

emerge all tender and tiny. Seedlings, on the other hand have been under my watchful eye and illusory control since throwing off their seed caps. I accommodate them. When they show signs of wilting I'm on the case with a watering jug. If they list a little in one direction, I turn them around to balance it all out. They need me. But eventually all seedlings outgrow their cells and need to spread their roots to anchor a more vigorous growth. The day comes when they must go out into the world and fend for themselves in whatever the elements throw at them. Yes, folks, Saturday was seedling's graduation day.

The seeds that are just coming up have some vigor and pizzazz. Their first leaves are closer to the ground. They know what chilly nights and dog prints feel like. Though seed planting is back-breaking and tedious in its detail and smallness, I finish with a raucous sense of confidence in life. I'm delirious with potential. I've sown my wild oats. The day I put out my seedlings, I finish with a sense of utter despair, certain that the elements are out to kill my babies. I worry. Will they be able to stand up to the rain? What loss will come with the wind? I can't bear to go down to the garden alone, sure everything I've planted will be breakfast for deer.

As I carefully transfer each little tender green shoot from cell to soil, I think about parenting. I remember my son's first day of kindergarten — the smell of the wood floors in the old school building. It is the beginning of his life without mom. He starts adding words to his vocabulary. "Shit". My little sprout is getting his first taste of compost in the garden of life. I blink and he's graduated from high school, driving around in a heap. I have no control of the winds that fill his sails or the forces that shape his growth. My job is done.

All I can do is drop on my knees in the garden of life and pray that my heart and mind lead me toward a raucous sense of confidence in life — and an awareness of life's tender fragility. And keep weeding.

Keep weeding. It is the garden's antidote to worry.

East Bethel



by Nancy Mercer

Nina Mollicone had Alice Grant of Cape Elizabeth, Marilyn Mollicone of Augusta and

Carolyn Grant of Winterport for visitors May 30 to June 1.

Jack and Lucy Nordahl spent Memorial Day weekend at Cupsuptic Lake. It was rainy the three days they were there, but they were able to do a little boating each day.

On June 1, Lucy saw six moose out her back window in one place at the same time. It was quite a surprise to see so many in one area at once.

Pat and Richard Kimball took a drive up to Upton, over East B Hill to Andover and on to South Arm on June 1. In their travels, they saw a baby moose and its mother.

Arlene Harrington visited Robert and Barbara Remington in York on May 29 and 30.

I am ready for some sunshine instead of the liquid kind. Have a nice week.

North Newry



by Gil Seeley

I had supper with Sylvia and Bill Wight one day last week, then went for a ride up to Um-

bagog Lake hoping to spot deer or moose. And we did. One crossed the road right in front of the car and another was in the bushes. It was worth the ride. It was moose, not deer. Next time we might see both, moose and deer.

Little six-month-old Megan Rose came to North Newry Memorial Day with her parents, Shannon and Tom O'Donnell from Farmington,

to visit with her great-grandparents, Karlene and Ras Bachelder.

Happy birthday to Kelsie Hanscom. May your wishes come true.

Celebrating 60 years of Togetherness — Join the children of Willard and Sylvia Wight in celebrating their parents' 60 years of marriage on June 6. Please send cards to them at: 1619 Bear River Road, Newry, ME 04261.

Andover



by Joan Stinson Carney

Once again the First Congregational Church of Andover will be planting a Giving Garden.

Gardeners of all ages met on Wednesday to begin the planting. Salsa is this year's theme, with a salsa party planned for the end of the season. As in past years, the garden's produce will be donated to hungry families and elders. Over the past few years, the Giving Garden has become a familiar part of the church grounds. Brightly colored pickets display the names of the gardeners. Passers-by often stop to admire and even to pull a few weeds. Wednesday afternoons will be the official "gardening day" but everyone is welcome to stop at the garden at any time. It's "Green Thumb" time.

The annual Andover Alumni Banquet was a huge success. I think there were more people there this year than I have seen in a long time. I want to thank Janet Farrington and her kitchen crew for a marvelous meal. Violet Swain will have written up all the details of the evening, so look for it next week. Thanks, Violet.

My brother, Perry Stinson, will be arriving from Germany any day now. He plans to spend about a month with us with side trips to Boston, Virginia, and other places that I can't remember.

The Monday morning Bible Study held at Mary Bailey's home has been stopped for the summer. It will start up again in the fall.

Some more little-known facts that will help when you go on Jeopardy. Oak trees do not produce acorns until they are fifty years of age or older. A Boeing 747's wingspan is longer than the Wright brothers' first flight. Apples, not caffeine, are more efficient at waking you up in the morning. Walt Disney was afraid of mice — bye, bye Mickey. Pearls melt in vinegar. A duck's quack doesn't echo and

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CHAMBER 2003 AWARD WINNERS were recognized at the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce annual awards dinner Friday evening. Shown here are rear row (from left): Rod Royer, Retail and Service Employee of the Year, Bethel Foodliner; Adam Tanguay, Student Citizenship; Lauren Hart, Student Citizenship. Middle row: Josh Burns, Mt. Abram Family Resort, accepted award for Barry Nevel, Ski Services Employer of the Year; Bob Chadbourne, Forest Products Industry Award; Janet Black, Designs, Business of the Year; Michele Varuolo, Volunteer of the Year; Amanda Gilbert, Taste of Bethel Award. Front: John Brown, Lifetime Achievement Award; Ann Holt, Education Employee of the Year; Laine Cross, Henry H. Hastings Award for Citizenship; Terri Angevine, Hospitality Employee of the Year, NTL Institute; Jette Black, President's Award.

(Photo by Carol Savage)

no one knows why. Richard Millhouse Nixon was the first U.S. president whose name contains all the letters of the word "criminal." The second? William Jefferson Clinton — no comment.

The Book of the Week is "The Secret Life of Bees" by first-time author Sue Monk Kidd. I give it an A+. It's a wonderful story and well worth reading, and as usual it's available at the Andover Public Library. See 'ya.

Upton



by Eleanor LeComte

Monday morning arrived with blinding sunshine. Maybe it just appeared that way after the many dark, dismal days of the past month. We all have "root rot" and "mildew," but the future weather looks a lot brighter. The rain turned the world a glorious green. The lilacs and ornamental crab apple trees are blooming. The lupine should pop up soon as the world warms up. The black flies and mosquitoes are on the attack, but we are mowing and planting again. In spite of the rain, Maurice Richards was able to do a fine job on the cemetery. It looked beautiful for Memorial Day.

Congratulations to Craig Angevine on his graduation from Gould Academy. Craig received the Maine Principals' Award and other awards. He plans to pursue a career in photojournalism. The proud

grandparents are Sue and Richard Angevine of Upton and Frank and Jane Vogt of Bethel.

Sue and Larry Nelson have returned from England. They were attending their son Chuck's wedding. While in Great Britain they visited all of those wonderful sites and some very old churches.

Jim and Evelyn Kenney visited their Haynesville property, planted a garden and enjoyed pedaling their bikes on lovely flat roads. There are no flat roads in Upton.

Buster Williamson is a patient in Stephens Memorial Hospital. We hope he will be home soon to get his great garden going. Richard LeComte was also hospitalized in the Colebrook Hospital. He is fine now and pursuing that senior pastime of keeping doctors' appointments.

Sandy Wixom visited Upton for the first time since her recent illness. She apparently is much improved and will soon be back as the president of the Upton Strollers.

We were very saddened to learn that a fire has destroyed the Northlands Restaurant. Lionel and Jeanette Roy of East "B" Hill and Berlin have been the proprietors for many years. The very popular restaurant employed many family people from Berlin. Several of the waitresses had worked there for over thirty years. Employment in Berlin has been on a low with the mill closures. The Northland hired many high schoolers for the summer. We all hope they are able to rebuild because it was a consistently good place to eat. We extend our sympathy to Lionel, Jeanette and their family.

The "Bird of the Week" is the Canada Goose. Mr. and Mrs. Goose presented their five downy, yellow offspring to us on Saturday. The parents are very diligent and are teaching the babies the fundamentals of decorating the grass. There is another family of six, but we have not received a visit from them yet. The excellent parents and their obedient little guys are a pretty picture on the black lake water. (Stay Off My Lawn, Please!!!)

Bryant Pond



by Alice Hoyt

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship at 9:15 a.m., morning worship at 10:30 a.m., choir practice at 5:15 p.m., and evening service at 6 p.m. The speaker on Sunday, June 8, will be John Romano, director of C.E.F. of Maine, for both services. June 14 is Men's Prayer Breakfast at the Roland Lord Room in the Baptist Church.

On Monday, Memorial Day, seven members of the D.U.V. took part in the parade at Locke Mills.

The Memorial Day program was held at Bryant Pond despite the rain, but the parade was cancelled. It was a real good program and speaker. Thanks to all who took part and all who attended even in the rain.

Visitors of Bernice Swan on Saturday and Monday were her daughter, Marie, and husband, Stephen Pearson, of Florida and grandchildren, Michele Winslow, Janna and Jared from New Sharon, Brandy Maddix and girls and Amber Cummings.

Judith Grover Tent 17 D.U.V. will meet on Monday, June 9, to make final plans for convention.

Graduation is Friday, June 6, and the Woodstock alumni will hold their banquet on Saturday, June 7, at 6 p.m. at the American Legion Hall, Locke Mills. All WHS alumni are welcome.

Congratulations to the graduating Class of 2003.

Mary Billings has returned home. She had hip surgery in April.

Mrs. Beatrice Fatnum just received some pictures of her new great-granddaughter of Anchorage, Alaska, Kaylea Beane, daughter of Aric and Crystal (Chase) Beane. Leatrice and John Chase returned home after visiting the Beanes for about a month.

On Tuesday night, several from town including Beth and Steve Hoover, Alice and Ken Hoyt and Pastor Linwood Hanson attended the play, "Chateau LaRoach," presented by Oxford Hills Christian School. The young people did a great job. Marybeth Hoover was in the play.

On Wednesday evening, Alice and Ken Hoyt, JoAnn and David Crockett, Lola and Clayton Crockett attended the Awards Banquet and Celebration at Rumford for Region 9. Ray Crockett and Jessica Howard were two of the students receiving awards. It was a very nice evening.

Locke Mills



by Lorraine Larson

It certainly was nice to see the blue sky this morning. I hadn't realized until I saw it that the sun had shone through hazy clouds, whenever it did shine, for many days. Maybe it will help clear up so many of these respiratory things going around if we could get some dry weather, not that the forecast was optimistic that we might get some anytime soon. Even today it is muggy in spite of the blue sky.

What a commotion the other day as a pair of geese tried to steal the little goslings from their parents. I did not realize that they would do that but someone told me that if something happens to theirs they would try. Anyhow the parents succeeded in driving them away, but it did make me nervous because they had to leave the goslings alone in the pond while they flew after the others, and I could think of all the other things that might befall them alone on the pond as little as they are.

I attended the musical put on by the Telstar music department students Saturday evening. It was the most enjoyable evening I have spent in a long time. I want to congratulate them all. The casting was superb and I think we may have a budding Elvis here in town, as Justin Palmer was a remarkable "Elvis." I wish Andy could have

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SAD #44 Releases Budget Explanation

To the Voters of M.S.A.D. #44

May, 2003

On behalf of the M.S.A.D. #44 Board of Directors, I am pleased to present the 2003-2004 school budget to you. Over the past several months, every aspect of this budget has been examined and many changes have been made. Each change has been designed to maximize opportunities for our students while, at the same time, considering the impact to the taxpayer.

As a result of last year's successful referenda, the Telstar complex is now connected to water and sewer and many renovations have been completed to that facility, including the replacement of all lockers and the addition of a new communications system. The summer months will see the completion of a new track, renovations to the locker rooms and improvements to the Helen C. Berry Auditorium. We are appreciative of the support the taxpayers provided for these projects.

The budget that the School Board is presenting to you this year reflects a modest increase of 3.22% to the General Fund budget and a 2.04% increase to the Adult Education budget. The average increase to the municipal assessment as a result of this budget is 3.50%, down from the 7.43% increase of last year.

The public hearing on the General Fund and Adult Education budgets will be held on Tuesday, May 27, at 7:00 p.m. in the Telstar Library. The referendum vote will be held on June 10, 2003. The hours and locations of the various polling places are included in this mailing.

I would urge you to review the enclosed information. If you have any questions regarding any aspect of this budget, please feel free to contact me at 824-2185. The School Board joins me in asking for your support of this budget.

Respectfully submitted,

David W. Murphy
David W. Murphy, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

MSAD #44 General Fund Budget Explanation

Health	213	District nursing services and related items are included in this amount.	66,349	66,048	(301)
Educational Development	221	District-wide educational development. Computer purchases are no longer shown in this account.	60,200	18,902	(41,298)
Library & AV	222&223	This account includes all library and audio-visual expenses in the district.	151,982	159,234	7,252
School Board	231	School Board stipends, travel, supplies, dues and fees are covered in this account. The contingency provision has increased from \$20,000 to \$70,000 and may only be used with specific Board approval.	47,803	98,175	50,372
Central Office	232	District-wide benefit administration; Central Office supplies, salaries, etc.	325,660	343,181	17,521
Administration	241	Funds in this account are for the individual school offices. This includes salaries for principals and secretaries; phones, postage, course reimbursement, office supplies, etc.	547,533	549,170	1,637
Buildings, Grounds, & Maintenance	260, 262&263	Building maintenance costs, Long Range Capital Improvement Plan costs and amortization of anticipated bonded indebtedness for the following capital projects at Telstar: Water & sewer connection to Town systems, auditorium renovations, track and field construction, intercom replacement, lockers and locker room renovations. Salaries and benefits for custodial and maintenance staff, as well as grounds maintenance costs are, in this account.	1,188,867	1,162,008	(26,859)
Transportation	272 & 273	Transportation related costs including salaries, benefits, fuel, bus repairs, bus purchases, field trips and late runs.	844,172	786,207	(57,965)
Recertification	281	The funds to operate the State mandated teacher re-certification program are in this account.	3,800	4,000	200
Debt Service	510	The principal and interest payments for Crescent Park School are in this account.	383,482	372,096	(11,386)

MSAD #44 General Fund Budget Explanation

Category	Function	Description	FY 03 Budget	FY 04 Proposed	FY03/FY04 Incr(Decr)
K-8 Instructional	110	All K-8 instructional costs are in this account. This includes negotiated salaries and benefits, supplies, texts, av materials, equipment, etc.	2,482,510	2,603,420	120,910
9-12 Instructional	120	All 9-12 instructional costs are in this account. This includes negotiated salaries and benefits, supplies, texts, av materials, equipment, etc.	1,067,871	1,197,918	130,047
Special Educ.	200	All K-12 Special Education costs are in this account. Programs for Special Education are determined by law and regulation. This account includes negotiated salaries and benefits, supplies, texts, equipment and all costs associated with the Advanced Placement program at the high school.	847,331	848,881	1,550
Vocational	300	Region 9 Vocational Ed. costs are in this account.	200,000	214,329	14,329
K-8 Co-Curricular Athletics	400	This account includes all salaries for the K-8 co-curricular and athletic programs.	38,783	45,980	7,197
9-12 Co-Curricular Athletics	421	This account includes all salaries and officials' fees for the K-12 co-curricular and athletic programs.	95,676	93,850	(1,826)
Food Service	910	This amount of money is the district subsidy to the food service program.	29,104	34,000	4,896
Total			8,629,135	8,907,090	277,955 3.22%

Ballot Questions and Explanations

- Article 1:** Shall the District appropriate \$6,130,397 from the foundation allocation for school purposes for the year 2003-2004 and shall the District raise \$4,041,557 as the local share of the foundation allocation?
Board of Directors Recommends a "Yes" vote.
This appropriation entitles the District to receive \$2,088,840 in State funds.
- Article 2:** Shall the District appropriate \$386,732 from the debt service allocation for the year 2003-2004 and shall the District raise \$265,364 as the local share of the debt service allocation?
Board of Directors Recommends a "Yes" vote.
This appropriation entitles the District to receive \$121,368 in State funds.
- Article 3:** Shall the District raise \$1,205,089 in additional local funds under the provisions of 20-A M.R.S.A.15614 for 2003-2004?
Board of Directors Recommends a "Yes" vote.
This is the recommended amount to be raised in addition to Articles 1 and 2 to run the schools.
- Article 4:** Shall the District authorize the Board of School Directors to expend \$8,907,090 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003 and ending June 30, 2004, from the foundation allocation, debt service allocation, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, local appropriations, state subsidy, and other receipts for the support of schools?
Board of Directors Recommends a "Yes" vote.
Articles 1, 2, and 3 raise the money, this Article authorizes the Board to expend it.
- Article 5:** Shall the District appropriate \$220,076 for adult education for the year 2003-2004 and shall the District raise \$98,904 as the local share?
Board of Directors Recommends a "Yes" vote.
This Article raises the money for the Adult Education Program, and authorizes its expenditure.
- Article 6:** In addition to the amounts under Articles 1-5, shall the District authorize the Board of School Directors to make applications for, accept and expend on behalf of the School District all gifts, advances, grants and aid, or other funds for educational purposes received from the U.S. Government, the State of Maine, any private or public agency, or any individual?
Board of Directors Recommends a "Yes" vote.
This Article permits the Board to apply for and expend grants, etc.

Note: This budget does not include the estimated amount of \$767,900 in employer share of teacher retirement costs that is paid directly by the State.

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binoculars to focus better or my eyes to adjust. They looked somewhat like baby ducks; but, if they were, they were all alone; there were no adult ducks around.

South Woodstock



by Andrea Wing
Nearly 50 relatives and friends attended a surprise 75th birthday party for Thomasina

(Tommy) Poland on Memorial Day. It was given by her five children, their spouses and her many grandchildren. It was held at her son's home, Dennis and Debbie Poland's in South Woodstock. A cookout and various snacks were enjoyed by the guests. Tommy received many nice gifts. I especially enjoyed seeing many of my relatives I rarely see except on special occasions.

My daughter, Kellie Record, also celebrated her birthday a bit later on Memorial Day at her home in South Paris. We all had a cookout and birthday cake, made by her daughter, Jessie Hart. Kellie received several useful and nice gifts. Those attending were: Brad and Kellie, Leatrice and Ed Record, Carol and Neal Hall, Sarah and Phil Lynch and Zack, Jessie Hart, Kyle Komulainen, Richard and Andrea Wing, Linsey Record, Jenny Record, Joe Fitts and baby Jackson.

Richard Wing visited with Oscar Annis for a while last week.

Tommy Poland went along with me to Lewiston recently where we

did some shopping. I had two doctors' appointments the same day in Lewiston.

Joan Poland, Tommy Poland and Rosalie Poland and I went out to lunch at Lo-Macks. We do this several times a year to celebrate each other's birthdays.

I heard on the grapevine that two new houses will be going up in the field across the road from us on Curtis Hill. We welcome them all to the neighborhood.

Quote of the week: "I've learned that my children's birthdays make me feel older than my own birthday does."

West Paris



by Bertha DeHaas

My how this year has flown. College graduations are here, with high school graduations only two weeks away. Miss Jessica Ruth Beane graduated on May 17 from the University of Maine, in Orono, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration and Marketing. Attending her graduation were: Sharon Culbert, Brett Wing, Jeremy Beane, Ernie Fitts, Roland and Ruth Dunham, Paul and Ginger Dunham, Rick and Diana Parsons, Jodi and Jane Wilner, Jen Fitts, Wesley Beane, Royce Beane and Matt, Jane Desent and Kim Thistlewaite. Congratulations, Jessica, on a job very well done, and good luck in the future.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Dunham

attended the wedding of their step granddaughter, Hope Parsons, to James Davenport on May 25. The wedding was held at the Blue Point Congregational Church on Blue Point Road, Scarborough. The reception immediately followed at the Dunegrass Golf Club at Old Orchard Beach. Congratulations, Hope and Jim.

Mrs. Lois Witham Piirainen was grand marshal of this year's West Paris Memorial Day Parade. She was presented with a beautiful red, white and blue centerpiece by Delwin Wilson, commander of the Ring-McKeen Post 151, American Legion. The centerpiece was made by Mary Newell of West Paris.

The West Paris Old Home Days will be held June 6, 7 and 8. There will be a parade on Saturday, June 7, at 10 a.m. starting on Briggs Street. The Old Crow Band will be with us again this year as will Molykett, the Indian princess on her float that won second prize at the Maine State Parade. The West Paris Mission (Finnish) Congregational Church will have an open house from 12 to 2 p.m., with Kantele music the first hour and nisseau and coffee the last hour.

The West Paris Alumni Banquet will be Saturday, June 7, at the Agnes L. Gray gym at 6 p.m.

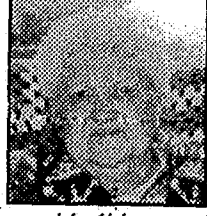
There will be balloon rides in a hot-air balloon, and at 9 p.m. on Saturday there will be fireworks at the ball field.

If weather permits, there will be an event dear to the hearts of us "oldsters." It is called the "Old Timers' Baseball Game." This is something dad and I always attended and enjoyed very much. Am looking forward to it. So come out

Sunday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. at the Harold Perham Memorial Ball Field and enjoy.

On Sunday evening at 6 p.m. at the West Paris Baptist Church, there will be a patriotic sing-along, including a tribute to the U.S.A. by the Community Singers, entitled "An American Medley," which is really a musical journey across America. There will be refreshments after the program. This will be under the direction of Mary Standard, with Maurice Veatch on the piano. Come out, enjoy and be part of this celebration.

Greenwood City



by Rena Curtis

Another week and our weather hasn't changed; it's still rainy and damp. Hope everyone had a good holiday weekend.

My son, Walter, came and got me Thursday to go to his camp in Kingsbury. We had a family gathering, as usual. Carl and Betty Curtis and their two grandchildren, Cassie and Travis Smith of Oxford, went up and my son, Kenneth from Kentucky, joined us. There were not as many people there this year as usual.

Kenneth Curtis brought a beautiful headstone for his sister, Colista. It is a rainbow color. He finished up my ramp out front and it looks good now and is ready to paint.

Gilbert and Marie Curtis joined their friends, Barney and Linda of Turner, and they went boating in

Eustis. Condolences go out to the families of Weldon Poland, Wallace Morgan and Louise Morse.

Milton and Eleanor Inman and Vernon Inman from West Paris and Vernon's daughter, Vergie Aridas, attended a band concert at Kennett High School in North Conway, N.H.

Ann Payne went to Portland to visit her friend, Nancy Hutton. Brad Payne and friend went to Moosehead fishing. They had good luck.

Robert Holt and David Holt visited their parents, also, and went down to see their Aunt Colista Morgan.

Thought of the week: "The only thing faster than the speed of light is the word of mouth."

That's it for this week. Have a safe and happy week.

West Paris



by Joyce Lamb

Slowly the ground is warming up. The temperature at times still gets below the

frost level. Geraniums and other houseplants are still inside for protection. In another week or two all should be outside enjoying the sun. For Mother's Day, daughter Peggy brought me a large, bright red geranium with eleven blossoms. Hopefully, I can keep it flourishing for the summer at least.

At the Universalist Church on June 8, the Rev. Joy Gasta will

have as her sermon topic, "Children in Our Neighborhood and in Our Church." Church starts at 9 a.m. followed by a coffee hour. Jim Burke is organist.

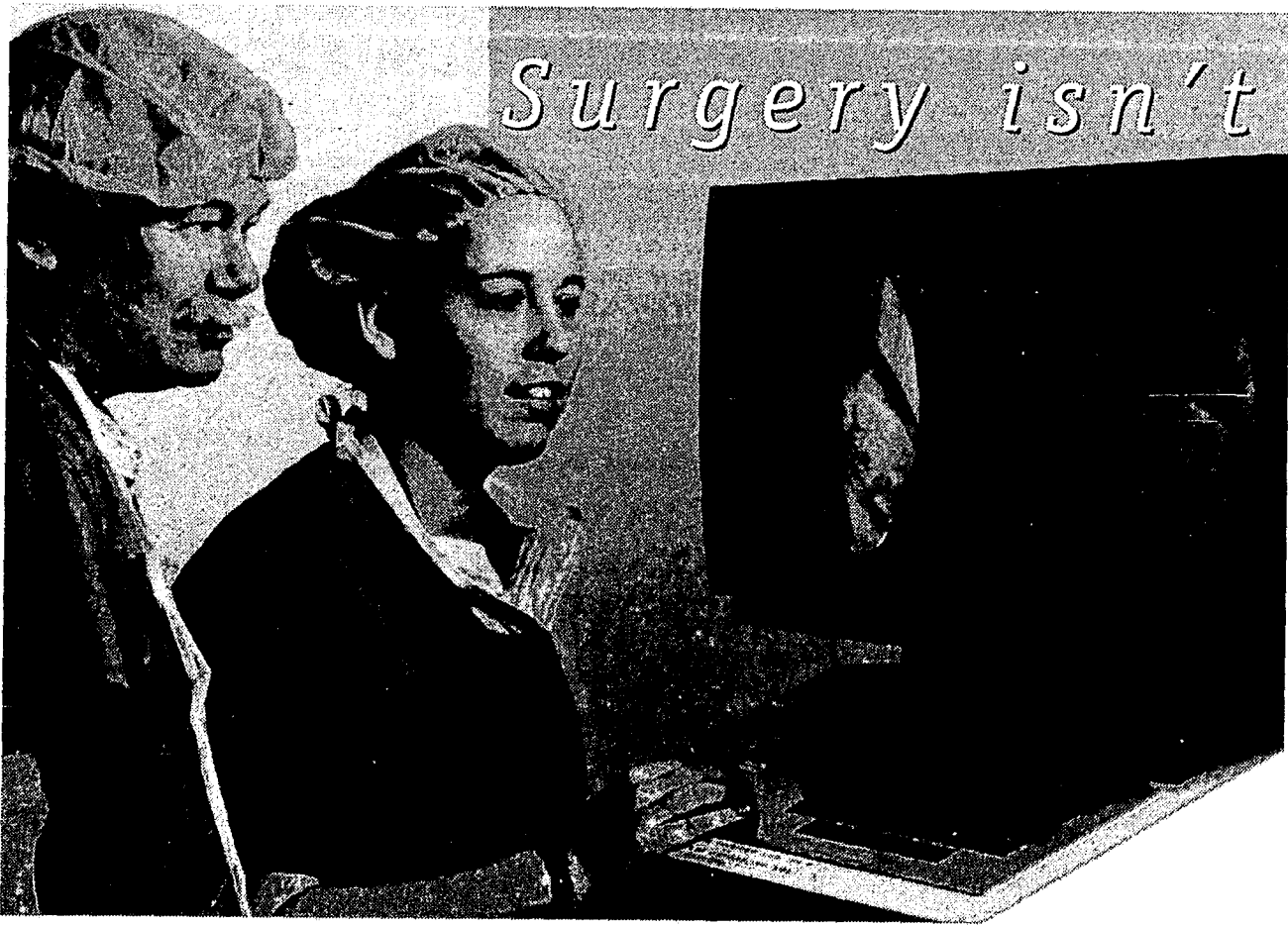
We were all saddened by the death of Lois Ellingwood. At 88 she had been a lifelong resident of West Paris. She leaves her husband of 69 years, Howard, and a daughter, Joan, and five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Over the Memorial holiday several from the area were at Cathedral Pines in Eustis: Charmine and Junior Penley, Vance and Connie Bacon, Cynthia and Sayward Lamb, Jim and Chris Lamb, Clyde and Sylvia Knights, and Carol and Jeff Twitchell and three children. In spite of the rain all had a good and relaxed time.

Peg and Joseph Lamb visited family in Mason on Sunday: Verna Thayer and Rupert and Richard Grover.

Dustin Tilly was with his grandparents, Beverly and Vince Stevens, over the weekend. The entertainment was the discovery of three baby foxes on their side lawn. They have a den in a banking under the brush pile. Last year there were seven little ones playing on the lawn like a litter of pups. Mother has not been sighted as yet. As the walking group went by we saw two of the little ones, for they are not afraid of humans.

Buffy has to be watched more closely with foxes in the area. He is kept inside more than usual. I do not want him to be dinner for the fox family. He does enjoy the sun porch now, which is one more step toward the outside.




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you come from and 98 percent of the marriages stay together. They explained the joint family system where it is common for three to four generations share the same house. And, they said equality of women exists in the larger towns but there is still much that can be done in the rural areas.

Don't miss Rotary's annual Auction and Yard Sale on Saturday, June 21, at Telstar High School. The Yard Sale will begin at 8:30 a.m. and continue until 6 p.m. Auction preview will be at 5:30 p.m. with the auction following at 6:30 p.m.

Inside Rotary: Welcome back Joe and Norma Reidy. Rick M. we'll miss you!

Thank you Dave Preble and members who contributed individually to the Polio Eradication campaign. Thank you Lee Barth for your continued assistance with the Wrap-A-Smile program. Best wishes for a speedy recovery Dawna.

The Rotary Club of Bethel meets weekly on Tuesdays at The Bethel Inn and Country Club at 7:30 a.m.

Friday 6 to 8:30 p.m., Saturday 11:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., and Sunday 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Thanks to our area merchants and sponsors, we have over 100 prizes and gift certificates to be awarded. Prizes include savings bonds, Speedway tickets and certificates from restaurants, hair salons, hardware stores, jewelers, and florists to mention a few.

Other activities at the fun-filled weekend include a Kid's Parade, Grand Parade, Bean and Casserole Supper, Chicken Barbecue, dunking tank, rides, games, craft demonstrations, food concessions, down hill derby races, Old Timers' baseball, petting zoo, baby contest, pony rides, fireworks, and tethered hot-air balloon rides. Joe Perham, the Hillsmen's Chorus, Jewell Clark, Ben Blake, Mary Alice Standard and Maurice Veatch will entertain.

Rodney Richards Sr. will carve a bear to be raffled with a pair of Oxford 250 tickets, 100 gallons of Dead River oil, one overnight at the Bradford House B&B, and a family swim at Mollycokett Motel.

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held from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

The council would like to invite all interested members of the community to attend. This is an opportunity to meet with the Board of Directors and other council members and to share information and ideas. Please call the Mahoosuc Arts office if you need further directions to the annual meeting.

From the Bethel Historical Society's Regional History Center

A \$400 grant from the New Century Community Program and the Maine Humanities Council has been received by the Bethel Historical Society to assist in supporting its 2003 Lecture Series, "Transportation in Maine History." The grant will be used to defer expenses connected with the following lectures: May 8, "The Cumberland and Oxford Canal by Joel Eastman, Ph.D., professor emeritus of history, University of Southern Maine; June 12, "Working on the Railroad," by Edwin "Bill" Robertson, author; Sept. 11, "Maine Made Automobiles" by Richard Fraser, author; Oct. 9, "The Great Gale of 1898 and the Loss of the Steamer Portland" by Mason Philip Smith, author; Nov. 13, "Aviation in Bethel: 1920s to the Present" by Stanley R. Howe, Ph.D., executive director, Bethel Historical Society. All of these lectures are free and

open to the public. They are being held in the meeting room of the Dr. Moses Mason House, 14 Broad Street, Bethel.

The next lecture in the series, "Transportation in Maine History," will be held on June 12 and feature Edwin "Bill" Robertson speaking on the topic, "Working on the Railroad." The lecture by Mr. Robertson, who has written widely on railroad and covered-bridge topics, will be held in the meeting room of the Dr. Moses Mason House, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Sponsored in part by a grant from the New Century Community Program and the Maine Humanities Council, the lecture is free and open to all interested persons.

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Dow, most recently the general manager of Mt. Abram family Ski Resort in Locke Mills, is a Level III ski professional with many years of on-hill experience, according to Cathy Witherspoon, vice-president of Perfect Turn for Sunday River and Sugarloaf/USA.

Witherspoon said Dow's focus at Sunday River would be to mentor coaches and monitor clinics to ensure the highest quality. A key initiative of the resort is to build its reputation as the best place in Maine to learn to ski and ride, she added.

Dow, who will begin in September, was one of the original developers of the Perfect Turn teaching methodology introduced at Sunday River in the late '80s. He was director of the program for five years before going on to manage Great Glen Trails Nordic Center in Pinkham Notch, N. H.

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From the West Paris Old Home Days Committee

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Seniors Lunch every Tuesday and Thursday, 11:30 a.m., at Bethel Methodist Church, Main Street, sponsored by SeniorsPlus. Donation for 60 and older and spouses, \$2.50; all other guests, \$4. Reservations important. For information, menus, reservations, call 824-3168 (also the number to call to apply for Meals on Wheels).

9 a.m. (Thursdays)—Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge at Town and Country Mobile Home Park community center, Norway. All bridge players invited to attend and bring a friend or two. Refreshments. For more information, call Mimi Bell (743-9081) or Rowena Palmer (743-2882) or e-mail bridge@megalink.net.

June 6-28—The Art Doll Collaboration at Fare Share Commons, 447 Main Street, Norway, 3 to 6 p.m. Thursday/Friday; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday.

Thursday, June 5

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens dinner-out will be at the Colonial Restaurant, Bridgton. **6 p.m.**—Conversational French, offered by The Acadia Society at St. Athanasius and St. John Church, Franklin Street, Rumford. Beginner and intermediate groups, and third group for those who wish to converse in order to keep up on the language. FMI, call 562-8956.

Friday, June 6

5:30 p.m.—Spaghetti Supper and Bake Sale at Lovell United Church of Christ, Route 5, Center Lovell. Dessert: brownie and ice cream. Adults \$5, under 12 \$3. Proceeds benefit Girl Scout Troops 5809 and 5817 to Montreal.

7 to 9 p.m.—The Art Doll Collaboration, a display of nine artist made dolls, accoutrements, journals will open at Fare Share Commons, 447 Main Street, Norway.

June 6, 7 and 8

West Paris Old Home Days—"Years Gone By"—parades, auto show, Beano, downhill derby race, go cart demo, musical shows, teen dance, food, Oxford Hills Majorettes, Chicken BBQ, horse and wagon rides, rides and games and more. Need volunteers and donations, parade attendants and floats, booth rentals. FMI, call Betty (674-2507), Nancy (674-2936) or Martha (674-5878).

Saturday, June 7

Woodstock High School Alumni Banquet at the American Legion Hall in Locke Mills.

1 p.m.—Gilead Bicentennial organizational meeting at the Town Hall.

1 p.m.—First annual Gutzwiller Baby Contest—two categories, 0 to 23 months and 2 to 4 years-olds. FMI, contact Sandra Ring, 674-3376.

9:30 to 12 a.m.—Kids Free Fishing Day at Wildcat Pond, Route 16, Gorham, N.H. for kids 15 years and younger. Fishing, casting contest, learning stations, prizes, and Barry the Brook trout. Free. Bring an adult and your own fishing gear. FMI, call U.S. Forest Service at (603) 466-2713, TTY (603) 466-2856.

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.—Chinese Auction and Springfest on grounds of the Church and Community House, foot of Plummer Hill Road, Waterford Pl. Rain date: Sunday, June 8, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Food and fun for all ages. All proceeds benefit local homeless teens.

5 p.m. (line up)—West Paris Alumni Banquet. Business meeting at 5:30 p.m. and banquet at 6 p.m.

10 a.m. to Noon—Bottle Drive and Food Sale at Locke Mills Union Church to raise money for the youth group. Amethysta, to go to Pilgrim Lodge, a Christian Youth Camp.

Pressed Flower Classes at McLaughlin Garden, 97 Main Street, South Paris. Children's session 10 to 11 a.m.; adult session 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Cost: \$5 for children, \$10 for adults, with materials provided. Preregister: 743-8830.

5:30 p.m.—Benefit Supper for Margaret Barton at Albany Congregational Church. Adults: \$6, child: \$3. Entertainment after.

June 7 and 8

Ellis River Riders Horse Show Weekend at Airport Road, Andover. Saturday: all games; Sunday:

Open Show. Spectators welcome. Camping available. Food booth.

Sunday, June 8

11 a.m. (registration), 1 p.m. (race)—West Paris Downhill Derby Racing at Derby Hill, Kingsbury Street, for children seven to 17. Snack Shack open. 50/50 raffle. All participants receive prizes. FMI, call 674-3222 or 674-2936.

2 to 4 p.m.—Child Safety Seat Workshop at Crescent Park School. Please RSVP the Bethel Police Department at 824-3437 to reserve your space. Open to all members of the public with interest in safety of children riding in a motor vehicle. Free workshop conducted by the Child Health Center of Maine.

Tuesday, June 10

6:30 p.m.—Telstar Alumni Association meeting in the Conference Room at the school.

Noon—West Paris Senior citizens luncheon/meeting at the home of Pat and Fred Brame (former home of Clara and Shirl Wilson) on Route 26.

5:30 p.m.—Supper/Dance at American Legion Hall, Gore Road, sponsored by the Auxiliary. Dancing following meal until 9:30 p.m. with music by The Parisians. Door prizes. Cost: \$6 and \$3 for under age 12.

Wednesday, June 11

11 a.m.—Bethel Senior Citizens meeting/luncheon at the Locke Mills Legion Hall on Gore Road. Dinner will be \$6.50.

Friday, June 13

10:30 a.m.—Oxford County Retired Teachers meeting at South Paris Congregational Church. Installation of new officers and afternoon program will be Maurice Dance Theater. Book sale. New retirees welcome. Call 743-6795 to get on lunch count.

Saturday, June 14

8 p.m.—At Deertrees: Ralf Farris Chorale 50th Anniversary. 31-voice chorale celebrates 50 years with a salute that includes songs by Randall Thompson, Nancy Faxon and John Rutter. \$10. For more information or reservations, call 583-6747.

7:30 p.m. (doors open 7 p.m.)—Main Street Center for the Arts in Norway will present live, "Hugh Maine, the other Maine Humorist." Mark Easton firmly establishes, in his tradition of Down East humor that the other Maine, Siberia and Patten areas on the edge of northern gateway to Baxter State Park and the Adirondacks, does exist. Tickets: \$15 available at Maine Discoveries, 356 Main Street, Norway or by calling 743-8557.

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.—Gone-to-the-Dogs Walkathon at Fryeburg Fairgrounds sponsored by Harvest Hills Animal Shelter. Dog demonstrations, "parlor" games and a dog/owner look-alike contest. Craft, vendor and food booths. Feline photo contest. Info and pledge sheets by calling 935-4358 or e-mail hhas@pivot.net or at Greater Bridgton Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce Information Center. Proceeds support the animals at the shelter.

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.—Herb Garden Workshop at Sabbathday Lake Shaker Village, Route 26, New Gloucester. Cost: \$40. Pre-registration required. Free plants. Topics: garden layouts, functions and herb plants. FMI, call 926-4597.

Tuesday, June 17

11:30 a.m.—Christian Women United meeting/luncheon at First Congregational Church, South Paris. Speaker: Pam Reed of Mechanic Falls. Those who have not been contacted may call Pearl Anderson at 743-5724.

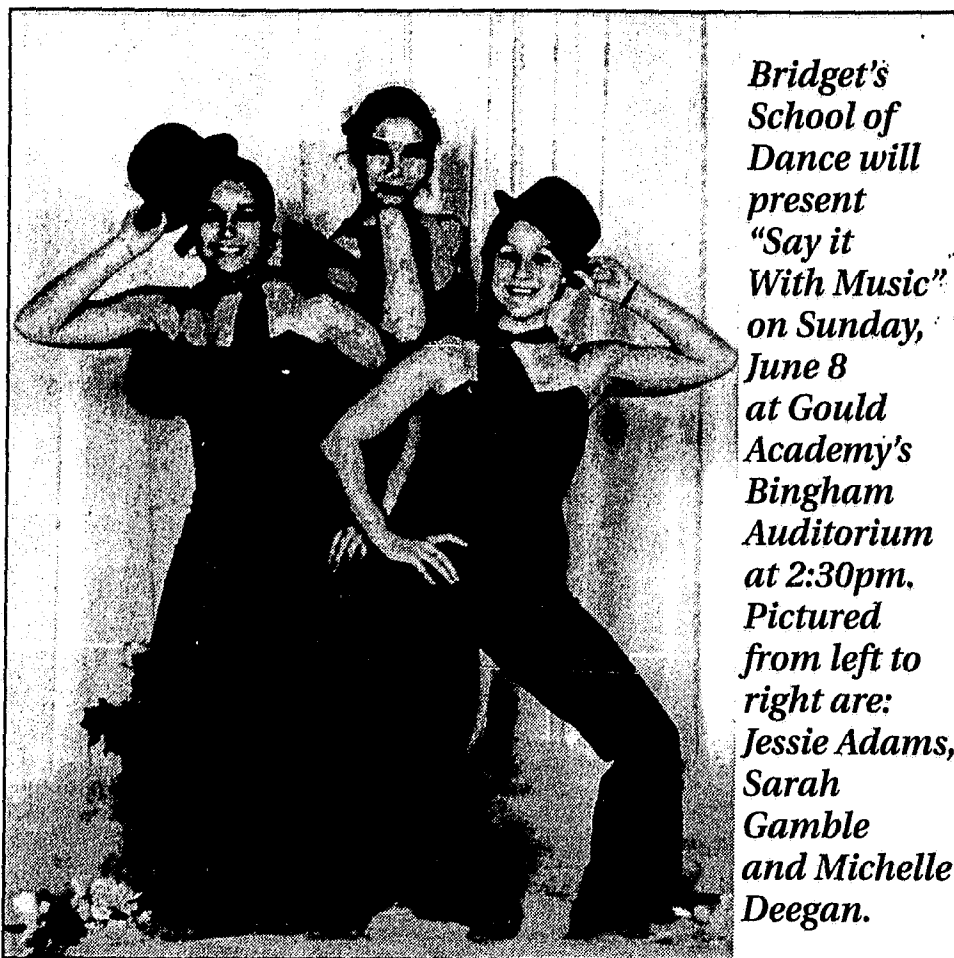
Thursday, June 19

Oxford County Democrats will meet in Rumford.

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.—Skin Cancer Screening at Stephens Memorial Hospital Health Information Library (first floor of Ripley Medical Building). For more information, call Deborah Clark 743-1562, ext 323.

June 20, 21, 22, 26, 27, 28, 29

"A Grand Night for Singing," a Rodgers and Hammerstein swinging musical, will be performed at Paris Hill Academy, South Paris. Thursdays and



Bridget's School of Dance will present "Say it With Music" on Sunday, June 8 at Gould Academy's Bingham Auditorium at 2:30 p.m. Pictured from left to right are: Jessie Adams, Sarah Gamble and Michelle Deegan.

Saturdays, 8 p.m.; Sundays, 2 p.m. Tickets: \$10 and \$12 available at Books 'N Things, Oxford Plaza (743-7197).

Saturday, June 21

Bethel Rotary's annual Auction and Yard Sale at Telstar High School. Yard Sale will begin at 8:30 a.m. and continue until 6 p.m. Auction preview will be at 5:30 p.m. with the auction following at 6:30 p.m.

5 p.m. (first) and **6 p.m. (second setting)**—Chicken Pie Supper w/ potato, vegetable, dessert, beverage at Bolster's Mills United Methodist Church. Adults: \$7, under 12, \$3.

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.—Chair Caning Workshop at Sabbathday Lake Shaker Village, Route 26, Gloucester. Supplies provided. Cost: \$30. Pre-registration required.

7 p.m.—Mary Uke Hargreaves will perform on ukulele singing heartfelt songs from bluegrass to reggae, from folk to soft blues, accompanied by Kathy Morgan and Bob Rosenbaum, at Fare Share Commons, 447 Main Street, Norway. Tickets: \$5, children under six free.

Monday, June 23

1 p.m.—8th annual Oxford Networks/Norway Savings Bank/Bethel Rotary Golf Challenge at Bethel Inn and Country Club. Registration at noon. 18-hole, four-ball scramble format, riding carts for all players. Hole-In-One contest. Rotary Club Challenge for teams with Rotarians, \$1,000s in prizes for top teams, plus door prizes and giveaways.

Annual Storyland Trip for Newry Children, sponsored by Newry Recreation Committee. Parents may call the town office (824-3123) by June 16 (no sign-ups after that date) to sign up a child. Group rate will be \$17 for adults and others accompanying the children.

Thursday, June 26

7 p.m.—Gordon Bok, folk singer of Camden will perform at Community Arts Center, 155 Emery Street, Berlin, N.H. Bok performs on six and twelve string guitars and the "cellama," which he designed. Tickets: \$10 at door. FMI, call (603) 752-1026.

Thursday-Friday, June 26 and 27—"Simba's Journey" will be presented by Spring Street Dance Theater of Bethel at Helen C. Berry Auditorium, Telstar Regional High School. Times: Thursday, June 26, 4 p.m. (tickets: adults \$6, children 12 and under, \$4); Friday, June 27, 7 p.m. (tickets: adults \$6, children 12 and under, \$4).

Church Services

Bethel

Bethel Alliance Church—Rev. Rick Mowery, 10:00 a.m. worship. Sunday School at 9:00 a.m. Evening fellowship and youth ministries 6:00pm, Sundays. Prayer fellowship 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays.

Church of the Nazarene—Pastor Chuck Mason, 9:30 a.m. Sunday school (2 hours, including recreation activities; call 824-4028 for transportation). 10:30 a.m. morning worship. 6 p.m. evening service. 824-4028 (voice mail) or 824-7289 for more info.

West Parish Congregational—Rev. Daniel Johnson. 10:30 a.m. worship. Nursery care provided. Prayer, Tues., 8 a.m. For more information call 824-8860.

Our Lady of the Snows—Mass—Saturday, 4:30 p.m. March 29-Dec. 21 Pastor Father Maurice Lebel 743-2606.

United Methodist—Rev. Betsy S. Webber, Pastor, 9 a.m. Sunday worship. Rainbow Church School, 3-5 p.m. Thursdays (all ages welcome).

West Bethel Union—9 a.m. worship and Sunday school. For info, call 836-2844 or 836-2882. Rev. Earl H. Bell.

Pleasant Valley Bible—Pastor Clifford McMullen, 9 a.m. Sunday school. 10 a.m. worship. 836-2828.

Episcopal House Church—Holy communion service the third Sunday of every month at 4:00pm in 38 Chapman Street. For further info, call the Reverend Gwyneth Bohr at 824-2913.

Church of Christ—at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mill Road (Rt. 26), Bethel. Worship at 10 a.m. Sunday, Bible study at 11 a.m. 824-3577.

Worldwide Church of God—10:30 a.m. first, second third (and fifth) Saturday each month. Services held in the dining hall of the West Parish Congregational Church. Contact: George Weber, 892-0779

Woodstock

Bryant Pond Baptist—Rev. Ivan Hatch (interim), Sundays: Sunday School 9:15am; Adult Bible Fellowship 9:15am; Morning Worship 10:30am; Evening Service 6:00pm; Wednesdays: Kid's hour 6:30pm; Prayer meeting & bible study 6:30pm.

Woodstock Seventh-day Adventist—Pastor Richard Wright (207-797-9678), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.

Pinhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock)—Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome. Mahosuc Mountains Friends—a worship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers)—Sundays, 9:30 a.m. at the Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Newcomers welcome. First Day School activities provided for children. Call Arla Patch 665-2224 for more info.

Andover

First Congregational Church—Pastor Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10am followed by coffee fellowship. Giving Garden, every Wednesday at 3:30. Produce donated to hungry families. All are welcome. Thursday, choir practice at 6:30. All are welcome.

Calvary Bible Church—Pastor John O'Keefe. Winter hours: Sunday School 9:30am, Sunday AM worship 10:45am, Wednesday bible study and prayer meeting 6:45pm, Thursday Men's Discipleship 7:00pm, Contact church for schedule of Ladies Discipleship and bible study groups. Route 5, S. Andover. 392-1121.

Gorham, N.H.

Assembly of God—Pastor Paul LeVigen. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible study 7 p.m. (603-466-2851).

Locke Mills

Locke Mills Union—Rev. Michael Johnson. Worship will be held at 10:00am.

East Stoneham

Oxford County United Parish—Rev. George Froberg, 10 a.m. worship and Sunday School; Sunday morning worship will be held at the North Waterford Church beginning November 3 and continuing through the winter months.

Newry

Newry Community Church—Sunday worship service, 9 a.m. Rodney H. Hanscom, pastor. (Services in the church will resume in April)

Albany

Congregational Church—Hunt's Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 Thursdays at the church.

Norway/Paris

Christian Science Society (5 Aldrich Ave.)—Sunday Service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony Service 7:30 p.m. Call 824-4099 for info or ride.

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church—Route 117N, S. Paris, Pastor Tom Teichmann. Sunday Morning Service 9 a.m. with coffee fellowship immediately after.

North Paris Federation—Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service: 8 a.m. Pastor Bruce Tyner, 674-2968. Singerspiration third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7pm.

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers)—Sunday worship 9:30 a.m., Children's program, 9:40 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris. Call 583-2780 for more information.

Christ Episcopal Church—35 Paris St. Sunday services at 8 and 10 a.m.; Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. Rev. Anne Stanley, Call 743-6782 for more information.

Rumford

St. Barnabus Episcopal Church—Mass, 9:30 a.m. Rev. Canon Henry Male, Jr. Special holidays will be announced. Stone church at the rotary.

Rumford Center

Praise Assembly of God—Pastor James Michaels. Sunday School 9:00am, Sunday worship service at 10:00am. Sunday prayer meeting at 6:00pm. Wednesday night bible study at 7:00pm. East Andover Rd. For more information, call 364-3856.

Rumford Point

Rumford Point Church—Sunday service, Sunday School, 8:30 a.m. Pastor Michael E. Johnson.

West Paris

Unitarian Universalist Church of West Paris—UU Rev. Joy Gasta, 9 a.m. worship (Sept.-mid-June), 674-2365.

West Paris Baptist—Sunday Worship 9:15 a.m., Bruce Tyner, Pastor. Adult Education and Sunday School 10:15 a.m., Sunday evening worship with Bible reading 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday evening choir practice at 6 followed by prayer meeting and Bible study, 7 p.m. (Third Sunday of each month, Singerspiration alternating between North Paris Federated and West Paris Baptist).

West Paris Congregational Church—Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday Worship 11 a.m.; Sunday School 10 a.m.

Harrison

Bolster's Mills United Methodist Church—Bolster's Mills Road, Harrison, Maine Rev. Walter R. Brown, Pastor. Sunday worship at 8:45 a.m. Church school 10:15a.m. for kids Kindergarten - Grade 12. Call 583-9024 or (207) 998-7040 for more information.

Sumner

East Sumner Congregational—Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m.

Sunday River Skiway

Sunday River Christian Ministry—Rev. Don Coverdale. On-mountain interdenominational worship service every Sunday December to April. "Peace be with you" til we meet again.

Support Services

Abused Women's Advocacy Project

AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5806; 24-hour hotline 1-800-559-2927.

Alcohol/Drug Treatment

Gateway Recovery Services—Outpatient counseling services available at Bethel Family Health Center, Mondays and Wednesdays. For info, call 207-743-7580.

Exchanges

District Exchange Community Thrift Shop accepts donations of in-season clothing in clean, wearable condition only. Drop-off hours and shopping: Monday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Thursday 3 to 5 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The Woodstock Seventh Day Adventist Church Community Service Center announces that individuals or families requiring assistance with food needs in the South Woodstock, Bryant Pond, West Paris and Sumner areas are invited to call 674-2566, 674-2663, or 665-2225 to learn more details.

MS Self-Help Group

Meets the first Friday of the month from 1:20 p.m. at the West Parish Congregational Church, next to Gould Academy. For more information, call Gale Toot at 836-2900.

Mental Illness Support Group

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional or physical illness, provides support, relaxation and socialization. Monday, 1 to 5 p.m.; Tuesday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Thursday, 3 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday, 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 364-3549 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays or (800) 335-9999 off hours. 928-3222.

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

Veterans' Services (State/VA Benefits)

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, first and third Wednesday each month, 9 to 12 noon (743-6300); Rumford Employ. Sec. Bldg. (364-3718), second and fourth Thursday, 9 to 12 noon; Lewiston (795-4590), 200 Main St., 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday thru Friday. Location: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15 p.m. Tel. 392-4841. (new members welcome)

Library Hours

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1-4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6 to 8 p.m. Tel. 392-4841.

Bethel Library: Monday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Tuesday, 1-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1-8 p.m.; Thursday 1-5 p.m.; Friday, 1-5 p.m.; Saturday, 9-1 p.m. Story Hour Mondays, 10-11 a.m. October to May. Michelle Conroy, Librarian, 824-2520.

Crescent Park Elementary School: Open every Wednesday evening from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. to the Public.

Hamlin Memorial Library, Paris Hill: Tuesday-Friday, 11:30-5:30; Saturday, 10-2; Wednesday evening, 7-9 p.m. Tel. 743-2980.

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel. 665-2505.

Library hours: Tuesday 1:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.; Thursday 1:30-7 p.m.

West Paris Library: West Paris: Monday 1:30-5 p.m.;

Wednesday, 1:30-7 p.m.; Friday, 1:30-5 p.m. 674-2004.

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 10-12 through July and August. Story

Upton Library: Saturdays 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Monthly Meetings

First Sunday: Bethel Snow Twisters Club meets at Clayton Crockett's at 7 p.m. September through April.

Windy Valleys Snowmobile Club meeting at Newry Town Office.

Second Sunday: Western Maine Mountain Trail Mixers ATV Club meets at 6:30pm at Sun Valley Sports, 129 Sunday River Road, Bethel. New members welcome.

Every Sunday: Western Mountains Meditation Group, Center for Natural Healing, 47 Pioneer Street, West Paris, 9:30 a.m. 674-3961.

Bethel Freedom Group AA meeting, 6 to 7 p.m. 577BB at Bethel Fire Station.

First and Third Monday: Bethel Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Newry Fire Department monthly meetings: first Monday, 7 p.m., at Sunday River Station; third Monday, 7 p.m., Bear River Station.

Franklin Grange #124, 7:00p.m., call 674-3046 or 674-3962 for more info.

Greenwood Planning Board meets at Town Office, 7 p.m.

Second "Monday: Newry Mothers' Club meets, 7:30 p.m. Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, J. Grover Tent #17, Ellis River Riders meet at Andover Fire Station, 7 p.m.

Second and Fourth Monday: SAD44 Board of Directors meets in Bethel, Woodstock or Andover at 7:30 p.m. Call 824-2185 for place.

Gilead Fire Department meets at the Fire Station at 7 p.m.

Every Monday: Mahosuc Music Makers rehearsal, 7-9 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church (downstairs).

First Tuesday: Upton selectmen meet at 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Western Maine Knitters Guild meets at Christ Church, Norway, 10 a.m. to noon.

First and Third Tuesdays: The Greater Rumford Alliance for the Mentally Ill-Children and Adolescent Network (GRAM-CAN) support, education and advocacy. Meets in the former St. John's rectory from 6:30-8 p.m. in Rumford. Contact Diane at 369-0542.

Bethel Area Promise Keepers, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

Television Listings

THURSDAY EVENING JUNE 5, 2003

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	'70s Show	'70s Show	WWE Smackdown!				News		Frasier	Ent. Tonight
(32)	7th Heaven		Movie: "Holiday in the Sun"				Whose? Whose?		700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Friends	Scrubs	Will-Grace	Frasier	ER		News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Stanley Cup Playoffs: Finals Game 5 -- Mighty Ducks at Devils						News	
(10)	News-Lehrer		Portland Past	Maine	Made in	Frontline/World			In the Life	
(22)	Tennis: French Open -- Women's Semifinals						Baseball Tonight		Sportscenter	
(34)	Blind Date	Blind Date	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Movie: "Death Wish"					Real TV	Real TV
(13)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	Amazing Race 4	CSI: Crime Scn			Without a Trace		News	
(41)	Sports	54321	Best Damn Sports Show Period				Sports	Sports	Best Damn Sports Show	
(15)	Persona Non Grata		Movie: "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone"						Taxicab Confss	
(17)	Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	Movie: "Horse Sense"				Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	Even	Boy World
(18)	"Before and After" Cont'd		Thirteen Conversations About	On Set			Movie: "The Mothman Prophecies"			
(20)	MLB Baseball: Boston Red Sox at Pittsburgh Pirates						Innings	Extra Inn	ESPNNews	
(44)	Movie: "Mockingbird Don't Sing"			Movie: "Co-Ed Call Girl"					Golden	Golden
(5)	Seinfeld	Friends	"Austin Powers: International Man of Mystery"				Movie: "High School High"			
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	SpongeBob	Amanda	Cosby	Cosby	Cheers	Cheers	3's Co.	3's Co.
(25)	"Donovan's Reef" Cont'd		Movie: "Shane"						Movie: "Five Card Stud"	
(26)	JAG		JAG		Movie: "Congo"				JAG	
(27)	American Justice		Biography		Movie: "Columbo: Sex and the Married Detective"				Third Watch	
(12)	Home Imp.	Will-Grace	Movie: "Poltergeist II"				News		Rockford Files	
(39)	Live From the Headlines			Larry King Live			Newsnight With Aaron Brown		Moneyline	

FRIDAY EVENING JUNE 6, 2003

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	'70s Show	'70s Show	MLB Baseball: Boston Red Sox at Milwaukee Brewers						Frasier	Ent. Tonight
(32)	7th Heaven		Movie: "Fraternity Vacation"				Whose? Whose?		700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Dateline				Dateline		Law & Order	News
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	NBA	NBA Basketball Playoffs: Finals Game 2 -- Nets at Spurs					News	
(10)	News-Lehrer		Wash Wk	Wall	As Time Goes By: You Must			One Foot	Now With Bill Moyers	
(22)	Sportsctr.	French Open Highlights -- Men's Semifinals					Baseball Tonight		Sportscenter	
(34)	Blind Date	Blind Date	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Star Trek: Next Gener.				Real TV	Real TV
(13)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	Baby Bob	Yes, Dear	Hack		48 Hours Mystery		News	
(41)	Sports	54321	Best Damn Sports Show Period				Sports	Sports	Best Damn Sports Show	
(15)	"A Beautiful Mind" Cont'd		Movie: "Don't Say a Word"						Wire	On Record
(17)	So Raven	Lizzie	Movie: "Inspector Gadget"				Movie: "Inspector Gadget"		So Raven	
(18)	"Protection" Cont'd		Movie: "Excess Baggage"						Movie: "Mission: Impossible"	
(20)	Sports	Pregame	MLB Baseball: Boston Red Sox at Milwaukee Brewers						Innings	ESPNNews
(44)	Movie: "A Tale of Two Bunnies"			Movie: "London Suite"					Golden	Golden
(5)	Friends	MLB Baseball: Pittsburgh Pirates at Atlanta Braves					Seinfeld		Movie: "Eraser"	
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	SpongeBob	Neutron	Oddparents	Chalkzone	Cosby	Cosby	3's Co.	3's Co.
(25)	"Casualties of War"		Movie: "Trespass"						Movie: "The Fury"	
(26)	JAG Cont'd		Movie: "Blown Away"				Monk		Law Order CI	
(27)	American Justice		Movie: "Mansfield Park"						Justice	Third Watch
(12)	Home Imp.	Will-Grace	Movie: "Poltergeist III"				News		Rockford Files	
(39)	Live From the Headlines				Larry King Live		Newsnight With Aaron Brown		Moneyline	

SATURDAY EVENING JUNE 7, 2003

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Billy Graham		Movie: "Fled"				News	Sanders	Entertainment Tonight	
(32)	7th Heaven		Movie: "The Bad News Bears"						Movie: "Bushwhacked"	
(6)	Maine	Seinfeld	Movie: "Carrie"						News	Sat. Night
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Stanley Cup Playoffs: Finals Game 6 -- Devils at Mighty Ducks						News	Practice
(10)	Lawrence Welk: God		Portland Past				Daniel O'Donnell		Now With Bill Moyers	Red Green
(22)	Horses	Sportsctr	IRL Racing: Bombardier 500						Baseball	Sportscenter
(34)	Blind Date	Blind Date	Real TV	Real TV	Elimination	Elimination	WWE Velocity		WWE Confidential	
(13)	Entertainment Tonight		Price Is Right		District		Agency		News	Andromeda
(41)	To Be Announced Cont'd		Boxing: Kirk Johnson vs. Lou Savarese				54321	See This	Best Damn Sports Show	
(15)	"A Walk to Remember"		Movie: "Ice Age"				Boxing: Arturo Gatti vs. Micky Ward			
(17)	Even	Even	Even	Even	Even	Even	Even	Even	Even	Even
(18)	"She Creature" Cont'd		Movie: "Behind Enemy Lines"						Movie: "Juwanna Mann"	Best Sex
(20)	MLB Baseball: Boston Red Sox at Milwaukee Brewers						Innings	Extra Inn	ESPNNews	
(44)	Movie: "Resurrection"			Movie: "A Friend's Betrayal"					What Should You Do?	
(5)	MLB Baseball: Pittsburgh Pirates at Atlanta Braves								Movie: "Evil Never Dies"	
(24)	Neutron	Oddparents	All That	Nick	Amanda	Skeeter	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby
(25)	"Airport '77" Cont'd		Movie: "Jaws"						Movie: "Earthquake"	
(26)	Movie: "Derailed"				Movie: "The Arrival"				Law Order CI	
(27)	City Confidential		American Justice		Cold Case Files		Crossing Jordan		Paparazzi	Star Treat
(12)	Hap Days	Hap Days	Movie: "Bull Durham"						MLB Baseball: White Sox at Dodgers	
(39)	Capital Gang		CNN Presents		Larry King Weekend		CNN Saturday Night		CNN Presents	

SUNDAY EVENING JUNE 8, 2003

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Weather	'70s Show	Movie: "Beautiful Girls"				News	Red Sox	Sanders	Pyramid
(32)	Movie: "Getting There"				Avril Lavigne				Movie: "Just a Walk in the Park"	
(6)	Arena Football Playoffs		Law Order CI		Law Order CI				Crime & Punishment	News
(8)	Hillary Clinton's Journey		NBA		NBA Basketball Playoffs: Finals Game 3 -- Spurs at Nets				News	Buffy
(10)	Monarch of the Glen		Portland Past		Masterpiece Theatre				To Contrary	Religion
(22)	Baseball Tonight		MLB Baseball: New York Yankees at Chicago Cubs						Sportscenter	
(34)	WWE Sunday Night Heat		Elimination	Elimination	Real TV	Real TV	Blind Date	Blind Date	Trucks!	Car
(13)	60 Minutes		57th Annual Tony Awards						News	Friends
(41)	Boxing: Baba vs. Vargas		Beyond the Glory		NBA	NBA		54321	Beyond the Glory	
(15)	"Shallow Hal" Cont'd		Sopranos		Sopranos				Wire	"The Time Machine"
(17)	So Raven	Lizzie	Movie: "The Other Me"				Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	So Raven	Kim
(18)	"Angel Eyes" Cont'd		Movie: "A Murder of Crows"						Movie: "Driven"	
(20)	McCarver	PGA	Outdoors	Outdoors	Divers	NE Journal	Camo Cnt	Outdoors	Sports	ESPNNews
(44)	Movie: "Our Son, the Matchmaker"				Division				Strong Medicine	I Do Daries: Wedding
(5)	"The Glimmer Man"		Movie: "The Patriot"						Movie: "The Patriot"	
(24)	Nicktoon	Ginger	Garcia	Clueless	Cosby	Cosby	Cheers	Cheers	3's Co.	3's Co.
(25)	Smokey and the Bandit II		Movie: "Romancing the Stone"						Movie: "Romancing the Stone"	
(26)	Movie: "Pitch Black" Cont'd		Movie: "Boiler Room"						Law & Order	
(27)	Columbo: Sex		Biography				The Point		Crossing Jordan	
(12)	Mutant X		Andromeda		Adventure Inc.		News	Replay	Rockford Files	
(39)	People in the News		CNN Presents		Larry King Weekend		CNN Sunday Night		CNN Presents	

MONDAY EVENING JUNE 9, 2003

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	'70s Show	'70s Show	Parkers	One	Girlfriends	Half	News		Frasier	Ent. Tonight
(32)	7th Heaven		Movie: "Bye Bye, Love"				Whose? Whose?		700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Fame		For Love or Money		Meet My Folks		News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Stanley Cup Playoffs: Finals Game 7 -- Mighty Ducks at Devils						News	
(10)	News-Lehrer		Ask Maine PBS		Ken Burns American Stories				Small	McLaughlin
(22)	Sportsctr.	Sportsctr	LPGA Golf: Conagra Foods Skins Game				MLB Baseball: Phillies at Angels			
(34)	Blind Date	Blind Date	Star Trek: Next Gener.		WWE Raw				CSI: Crime Scn	
(13)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	King	Yes, Dear	Raymond	Still	CSI: Miami		News	
(41)	Sports	54321	Best Damn Sports Show Period				Sports	Sports	Best Damn Sports Show	
(15)	On the Record		Curb	Curb	Movie: "Life or Something Like It"				"My House in Umbria"	
(17)	Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	Movie: "D3: The Mighty Ducks"				Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	Even	Boy World
(18)	"Mrs. Doubtfire" Cont'd		Movie: "Juwanna Mann"				On Set		Movie: "Heist"	
(20)	Minor League Baseball: Norwich at Portland				ESPNNews		ESPNNews		ESPNNews	
(44)	Intimate Portrait		What Should You Do?		Movie: "Going Underground"				Golden	Golden
(5)	Seinfeld	Friends	Movie: "Sleeping With the Enemy"				Movie: "Sleeping With the Enemy"			
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	SpongeBob	Amanda	Cosby	Cosby	Cheers	Cheers	3's Co.	3's Co.
(25)	"Mommie Dearest"		Movie: "Jack the Bear"						Movie: "Raggedy Man"	
(26)	JAG		2003 World Stunt Awards						Movie: "Metro"	
(27)	American Justice		Biography		Movie: "The Daughters of Cain"				Third Watch	
(12)	Home Imp.	Will-Grace	Movie: "Gideon Oliver: Sleep Well Professor Oliver"				News		Rockford Files	
(39)	Live From the Headlines				Larry King Live		Newsnight With Aaron Brown		Moneyline	

TUESDAY EVENING JUNE 10, 2003

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	'70s Show	'70s Show	Buffy the Vampire Slayer		Next Top Model		News		Frasier	Ent. Tonight
(32)	7th Heaven		Movie: "A Walk in the Clouds"				Whose? Whose?		700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Dog Eat Dog		Last Comic Standing				News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	8 Rules	8 Rules	Less Than		NYPD Blue		News	
(10)	News-Lehrer		Nova		Bloodlines: Technology		Cambodia's Killing Fields		Charlie Rose	
(22)	Rome Is Burning		LPGA Golf: Conagra Foods Skins Game				Baseball Tonight		Sportscenter	
(34)	Blind Date	Blind Date	Star Trek: Next Gener.		Movie: "Rocky V"				Real TV	
(13)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	JAG		Guardian		Judging Amy		News	
(41)	Sports	54321	Best Damn Sports Show Period				Sports	Sports	Best Damn Sports Show	
(15)	Harry Potter-Sorcerer's		Movie: "Ice Age"				Movie: "The Sweetest Thing"		Wire	
(17)	Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	Movie: "Gotta Kick It Up"				Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	Even	Boy World
(18)	Movie: "Eight Legged Freaks" Cont'd		Movie: "Love and a Bullet"				Movie: "Monster's Ball"			
(20)	MLB Baseball: St. Louis Cardinals at Boston Red Sox						Innings	Extra Inn	ESPNNews	
(44)	Movie: "Sex & Mrs. X"				"Murder or Memory? A Moment of Truth Movie"				Golden	Golden
(5)	Seinfeld	Friends	Movie: "Evil Never Dies"				MLB Baseball: Atlanta Braves at Oakland Athletics			
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	SpongeBob	Amanda	Cosby	Cosby	Cheers	Cheers	3's Co.	3's Co.
(25)	"Hell Is for Heroes"		Movie: "Midnight Express"						Movie: "Dillinger"	
(26)	JAG		Movie: "Nothing to Lose"				JAG		Dragnet	
(27)	American Justice		Biography		Cold Case Files				Third Watch	
(12)	Home Imp.	Will-Grace	Movie: "Gideon Oliver: Tongs"				News		Rockford Files	
(39)	Live From the Headlines				Larry King Live		Newsnight With Aaron Brown		Moneyline	

WEDNESDAY EVENING JUNE 11, 2003

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	'70s Show	'70s Show	Enterprise		Twilight Zone		News		Frasier	Weather
(32)	7th Heaven		Movie: "Romy and Michele's High School Reunion"				Whose?	Whose?	700 Club	
6	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Fame		Law & Order		Law & Order		News	
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	NBA	NBA Basketball Playoffs: Finals Game 4 -- Spurs at Nets					News	
10	News-Lehrer		Harriman Alaska Expedition Retraced				Over Alaska		Charlie Rose	
(22)	MLB Baseball: Teams to Be Announced						Baseball Tonight		Sportscenter	
(34)	Blind Date	Blind Date	Star Trek: Next Gener.		Movie: "Star Trek IV: The Voyage Home"					
13	Friends	Ent. Tonight	Funny Flubs		60 Minutes II		48 Hours Investigates		News	
(41)	Sports	54321	Best Damn Sports Show Period				Sports	Sports	Best Damn Sports Sho	
(15)	Movie: "Glitter" Cont'd		Sex & City	Sex & City	Wire		On the Record		Kid in Picture	
(17)	Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	Movie: "You Wish!"				Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	Even	Boy Worl
(18)	All About My Father		Movie: "Before and After"				Movie: "Juwanna Mann"			Best Sex
(20)	MLB Baseball: St. Louis Cardinals at Boston Red Sox						Innings	Sports Plus	ESPNNews	
(44)	Movie: "The Alibi"				Movie: "The Art of Murder"				Golden	Golden
(5)	Seinfeld	Friends	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Ripley's Believe It or Not!		Movie: "The Patriot"			
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	SpongeBob	Amanda	Cosby	Cosby	Cheers	Cheers	3's Co.	3's Co.
(25)	Movie: "Dillinger" Cont'd		Movie: "One False Move"				Movie: "Platoon"			
(26)	JAG		Movie: "Patriot Games"						Movie: "Blade Runner"	
(27)	American Justice		Biography		American Justice		City Confidential		Third Watch	
(12)	Home Imp.	Will-Grace	Movie: "Gideon Oliver: By the Rivers of Babylon"					News		Rockford Files
(39)	Live From the Headlines				Larry King Live		Newsnight With Aaron Brown			Moneylin

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School Sports

High School Varsity Baseball

Telstar 16, Mt. Valley 1; May 28—Telstar's Kinsey Durgin and Wade Osgood each had three hits in a win over Mt. Valley. Osgood was also the winning pitcher, getting his fifth win against no losses. The Rebels concluded their regular season with a 10-4 record.

High School Varsity Softball

Mountain Valley Conference championships at Lewiston; May 30—Telstar 16, Mt. Valley 2; May 28—Telstar's Jillian Kimball, Lauren Hart and Ashley Stambolis each had doubles in a win over Mt. Valley. Kimball was the winning pitcher.

High School Boys' Track

Mountain Valley Conference championships at Lewiston; May 30—Telstar's Fred Bailey won the 1,600- (4:36.61) and 3,200- meters (10:22.14) as the Rebels placed eighth out of 12 teams. The 1,600-meter relay team finished second (3:50.35). Alex Helms placed fifth in the 100m (11.92); Mike Hoy placed sixth in three events: 100m (12.10); 200m (24.78) and 400m (56.56). The runners, along with teammates Andrew Farrington and Jason McAvoy, will compete in the state meet Saturday.

High School Girls' Track

Mountain Valley Conference championships at Lewiston; May 30—Telstar's Heather Zimmerman won the 3,200-meter (12:24.33) by a minute, as the Rebels placed ninth out of 12 teams. Zimmerman was fourth in the 1,600m (5:51.47). Laura Bolstridge was fourth in the 800m (2:38.40). They will compete in the state meet Saturday in Augusta.

TMS Softball

Telstar 15, Gorham 7; May 29—Good starting pitching from Tonic Morin, in the rain, and relief from Whitney Mills helped the Rebels beat Gorham in the last game of the season. Josie Reiss, Kara Thurlow and Bailey Davis led the offense with two hits each. Telstar finished with a 10-1 record, tops in the league. "It was a wonderful group of young ladies to work with, and we had great support from families and friends at every game," said coach Mark Kenney.

Telstar 17, Berlin 2; May 27—Telstar's Megan Smith, Vicki Rice, and Kara Thurlow each had two hits to lead the offense in a win over Berlin. The Rebels collected 13 walks. "Solid starting pitching by Whitney Mills and the save by Candace Hall kept Berlin off the bases all game," said coach Mark Kenney.

BABE RUTH TEAM ROSTER/SCHEDULE

The Bethel A Babe Ruth team consisting of the following members — Andy Whitney, Tyler Hodsdon, Gavin Parker, Kevin Wight, Charlie Rice, Nate Walker, Ryan Kimball, Matt Zinchuk, Doug Costello, Alex Crockett, Will Carver and Parker Thurston — will play the following schedule:

June 8, Greenwood; 9, at Norway; 11, Harrison; 15, at Buckfield; 16, at Mechanic Falls; 18,

Bethel B; 22, South Paris; 23, Norway; 25, at Poland; 29, Minot/Hebron; 30, at Sebago.

All home games are played at the Telstar High School field. The Sunday games start at 5 p.m. and other games begin at 6 p.m.

BETHEL ROCKIES ROSTER AND SCHEDULE

The Bethel Rockies Minor League team will play the following schedule:

June 6, Norway Bears; 11, Buckfield; 13, at Bethel Braves; 8, at

South Paris Royals; 20, Norway Panthers; 25, at Greenwood; 27, at Poland Raiders;

July 2, at West Paris

The Rockies team consists of the following players: Danny Whitney, Jeb Clarke, Tyler Brown, Corey Howard, Devin Vale, Doug Gardner, Casey Thornton, Taylor Bolen, Matthew Bolen, Tommy Conroy, Asher Wilson and Jamie Corey. They play their home games at the upper field behind Crescent Park School and all games start at 6 p.m.

Gould graduation

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ceived the Headmaster's Bowl, presented annually to the senior who has exhibited the highest standards of scholarship, character, and service to the school and participation in activities of the school.

Martel received the Scholarship Shield, awarded to the senior with the highest academic average.

Graduates whose names will be engraved on Gould Academy's Honor Plaque, in recognition of their achievement of an academic average of 90 or above for their years at Gould, are Shulamit Bien, Anne Colpitts, Katherine Conway-Russell, Shannon Fyberg, Junhyun Kang, Anthony Liberti, Kimberly Lockrow, Matthew Martel, Ah Yeon Mun, Kristen Murphy, William Murphy, Samantha Olney, Hadley Planting, and Kelly Price.

The Maine Principals' Association Award was presented to Craig Angevine.

Ashley Oliver and Leo Menard received the Elwood F. Ireland Award for their contributions to the school community in the areas of service, leadership, and character.

The Annie Daley Courchesne Award, celebrating the spirit of student involvement in social, political, and environmental causes, was presented to Shulamit Bien and Brady Wheatley.

Hadley Planting received the Francis "Hi" Berry Award, and Anthony Liberti, the Joe Roderick Award, for outstanding competitive spirit through example and overall competence in athletics.

Planting also received the Andy Valley Umpires Association Award, a scholarship presented to a varsity softball player on the basis of academic and athletic achievement, character and leadership qualities, and the respect of both coach and teammates.

Lauren Jacobs received the Gould Academy Alumni Association Award, which recognizes the son or daughter, grandson or granddaughter of an alumnus or alumna whose attitude, involvement, and contributions typify the ideals of Gould's alumni and its Alumni Association. Jacobs' father, Charles Jacobs, is a member of Gould Academy's Class of 1966, and the late Stephen Jacobs, her grandfather, taught science at Gould in the fifties and sixties.

The Ralph Gould Music Award was presented to Kristen Murphy. Craig Angevine received the Gayle A. Foster Award for outstanding work in photography.

The Art Department Purchase Award was presented to Katherine Conway-Russell. Her striking painting of three pears has been selected and purchased by the faculty to be permanently displayed at the school.

Academic Book Prizes were presented to the following students: English, Matthew Martel; History, Kimberly Lockrow; Mathematics and Science, Camden Elliott-Williams; Computer Science, Charles Dresser; French, Kristen Murphy; Spanish, Andrew Friedman; Celestial Navigation, Richard Jindrich; Art, Ashley Oliver and Daniel Tutor; Pottery, Jason Mowery; Drama, Anne Colpitts; Music Technology, Jesse Eisenberg.

The Linwood "Lindy" Lowell Award, an honor voted upon by the graduating class, is given annually to the member of the senior class whose friendly personality and helpful nature have brightened the lives of fellow students. The Class of 2003 chose to award the honor to classmate John Perrone.

Kunkle and Hammond then presented diplomas to the graduating seniors, and the Rev. Johnson gave the benediction.

On Friday evening before commencement, Gould's traditional

baccalaureate exercises were held at the West Parish Congregational Church, with the Rev. Johnson officiating.

Graduating senior Aidan Payson of Freeport, history teacher Travis Beauchamp, and music teacher Thomas Zicarelli were selected by the class of 2003 to address them at the baccalaureate ceremony.

After the baccalaureate exercises, the graduates and their parents attended a reception in the McLaughlin Science Center and a buffet dinner in Gould's Ordway Hall, followed by the annual commencement concert in Bingham Auditorium.

Telstar graduation

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Zimmerman and Lauren Hart will give the farewell, and teacher Douglas Bennett will close the exercises.

The graduates will then travel to Jokers in South Portland for Project Graduation activities, returning Saturday morning for breakfast at the American Legion in Locke Mills.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

The following students were named Students of the Month for May at Telstar Middle School:

Sixth grade: Seana Siekman, Kallina Cox, Jillian Poland and Sarah Lavorgna.

Seventh grade: Rochelle Jewell and Jessica Yasko.

Eighth grade: Kelsie Hanscom and Jess Poland.

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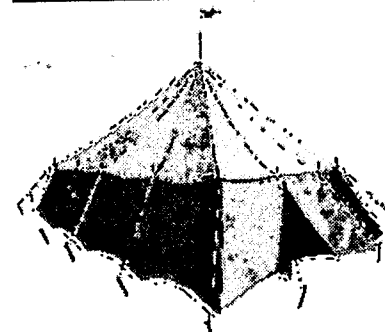
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Bethel Planning Board Meeting Date Change

The Bethel Planning Board will meet on Thursday, June 12, 2003, instead of the second Wednesday of the month due to a schedule conflict with Town Meeting. On Thursday, June 12, 2003 the schedule is as follows:
 6pm - Sign Committee
 6:30pm - Public Hearing
 Sunset Hill Subdivision Application
 7pm - Planning Board Meeting

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 Applicant: Sunset Hill LLC/Mr. Chris Brink
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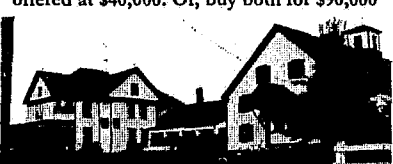
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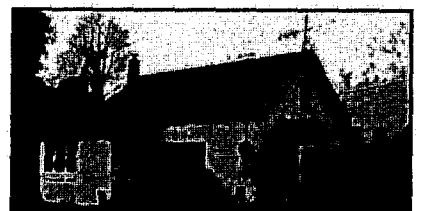
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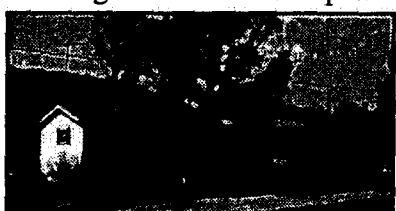
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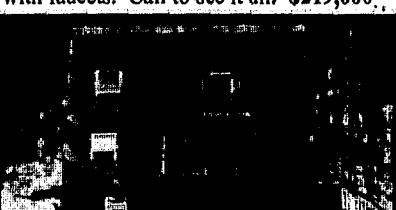
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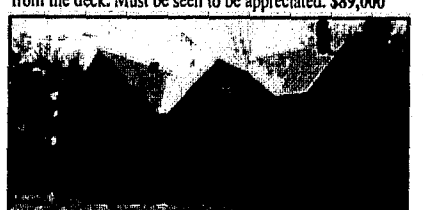
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Gore Rd, Woodstock: One, if not THE best sandy beach on North Pond! Right by the water, this neat-as-a-pin home has a southerly exposure and a great enclosed porch and dock to enjoy the beautiful lakefront views. With easy accessibility, paved driveway and large garage, this house is waiting to be your year-round lake home or second home getaway. \$249,000



Mt. Abram, Greenwood: One of the nicest homes in Mt. Abram Village, this 4BR, 3 1/2 Bath beauty must be viewed to be appreciated! Sitting high at the end of the road with great slope views, it boasts all the amenities needed to entertain or have guests: rec room, bar, hot tub and plenty of space. \$199,000



Main St, Woodstock: This two bedroom home is en route to Sunday River Ski Resort and Mt. Abram Skiway and is located in the village of Bryant Pond, also known as Woodstock. Very nice screened porch and a great location for a small home-based business. It is a "must see" at the price! Call for a viewing. \$55,000



Walkers Mill Rd, Bethel: Very attractive contemporary with 4BR's in main part of the house, plus office and family room. An additional 1BR apartment on lower level can be rented for income, kept as guest quarters, or mother-in-law apt. Close to Bethel village, Sunday River Ski Resort and area recreation. Lots of living and sleeping space for the price! \$149,900



So. Rumford Rd, Rumford: Here's a great starter home that's well-landscaped and sits on one acre of land. It has a 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, and an attached two-car garage. It's close to Androscoggin River recreation and yet still convenient to area ski resorts. \$65,900



Mt. Abram Skiway, Greenwood: This modified gambrel has a style of its own. Located in Mt. Abram Village, it's also close to Bethel's local amenities and Sunday River. Spacious living areas with 3BR's, 1-1/2 baths upstairs, plus a separate unit in lower level with 1/2 bath which offers rental possibilities. With slope views, a great buy at \$119,000

LAND

Lot 5, OAK HILL SUBDIVISION: The views of Lake Christopher and the surrounding mountains are breathtaking from Oak Hill. Come and see the panorama and get the details about owner financing. Build your dream home here, close to Mt. Abram Skiway and Sunday River Ski Resort. \$39,900

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WESTSIDE SUBDIVISION, MT ABRAM: These great lots at Mt. Abram Ski Resort are just waiting for you to build your vacation retreat or primary residence. Within walking distance to the slopes, prices start at only \$14,900 and vary with size. Don't wait to choose your prime piece of ski country.

OAK TREE ESTATES, GREENWOOD: If you're looking for a nice, small subdivision on a hill with South Pond, Twitchell Pond and Lake Christopher all in close proximity, these lots are definitely a must-see. Prices vary from \$12,900 to \$14,900 based on size and location. Possible views.

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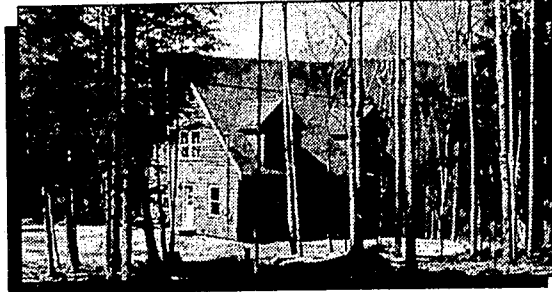
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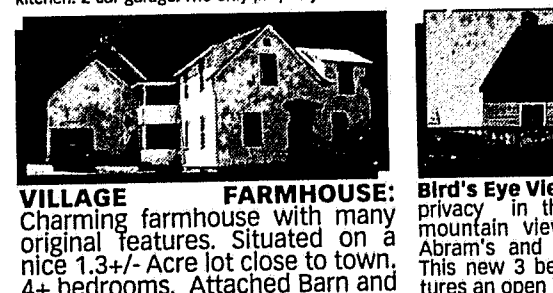
DELIGHTFUL THREE BEDROOM LOG SIDED HOME: Located in a nice rural subdivision, this two year old home has a nice open floor plan. Hardwood floors, gas woodstove, unfinished daylight basement with many possibilities. \$169,000



PREMIER SUNDAY RIVER HOME: Beautiful mountainside home adjacent to South Ridge Base Area. 50 yards walking access to lodge and trails. Situated on a Private 1+/- acre lot in coveted Sunday River Village. 5 bedroom, 4 bath contemporary features cathedral ceilings, spiral staircase, hardwood floors throughout, palladian windows, gourmet kitchen, gameroom and sunroom leading to 10 person spa-jacuzzi on private deck. Full Views of White Cap, Barker, Locke, South Ridge and North Peak trails. Unique home design allows for lockout guest apartment with kitchen. 2 car garage. The only property of its kind available. \$569,000



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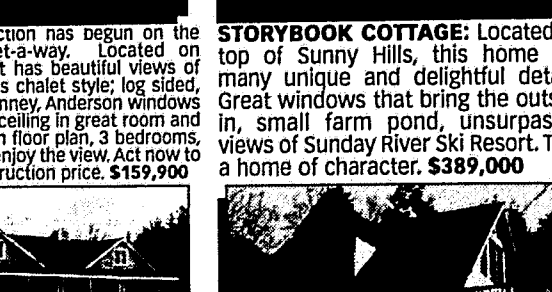
VILLAGE FARMHOUSE: Charming farmhouse with many original features. Situated on a nice 1.3+/- Acre lot close to town. 4+ bedrooms. Attached Barn and a detached two car garage. Reasonably priced @ \$98,000



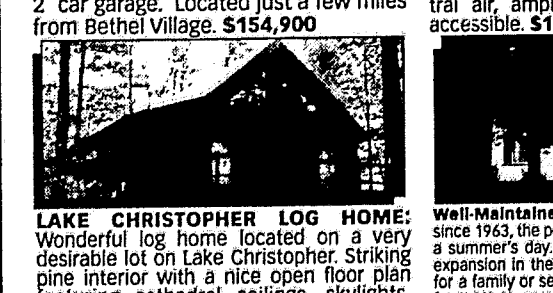
BIRD'S EYE VIEW: 1/2 acre home offers privacy in the woods with gorgeous mountain views and minutes to Mt. Abram's and Sunday River Ski Resort. This new 3 bedroom, 3 level home features an open living space, 2 1/2 baths and an oversized deck, walk out basement and a fieldstone fireplace. \$239,000



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SKI CHALET: Construction has begun on the perfect weekend get-away. Located on Mountain View Rd, lot has beautiful views of Sunday River, home is chalet style, log sided, metal roof, center chimney, Anderson windows and sliders, cathedral ceiling in great room and master bedroom, open floor plan, 3 bedrooms, full bath, and deck to enjoy the view. Act now to purchase at pre-construction price. \$159,900



SPACIOUS FAMILY HOME: Situated on a nicely elevated lot, this 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home is privately situated and offers beautiful mountain views. Fireplace, deck and an attached 2 car garage. Located just a few miles from Bethel Village. \$154,900



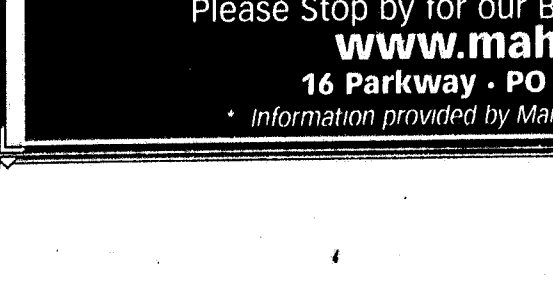
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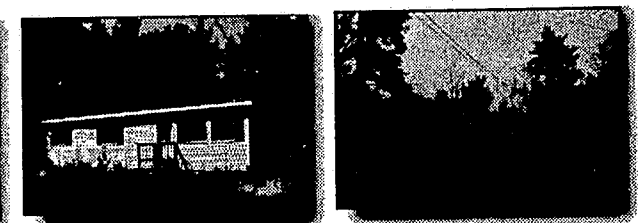
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Albany Home: Great Home only 3 miles from Bethel Village. This property offers you 2+/- acres, walkout basement, oversized 2 car garage, and great yard. Only 15 min to Sunday River and 5 min to Mt. Abram. Full baths, 3 bedrooms and additional space in basement. \$87,000



Woodstock: Great secluded spot but still close to town. This property offers you 2+/- acres, walkout basement, oversized 2 car garage, and great yard. Only 15 min to Sunday River and 5 min to Mt. Abram. Full baths, 3 bedrooms and additional space in basement. \$87,000

HOUSE LOTS & LAND

Woodstock - One Lot Left: 5+/- acre lot in covenant protected Meadowlark Valley Subdivision, located on Gore Road, near Rt. 232. Set your home amongst the junipers and boulders and gaze at the panoramic views of surrounding mountains and valley. \$22,500

Powder Ridge Land: Nice gently sloping wooded lot to build your vacation home or year round home. Nice views of the valley and ski slopes. Great location 1.06+/- acres. \$36,500

Woodstock 20 Acres: Commercial Gravel Pit or Future Home site. \$40,000

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Examples of units currently available to purchase include:

Sleep 2, Studios: \$14,000 to \$25,000
(2 Handicap Units Available)
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Sleep 4, 1 Bdrm: \$29,000 to \$30,000
Sleep 6, 1 Bdrm: \$33,000 to \$39,900
(Dormer Units Available)
Sleep 6, Lockout: \$32,000 to \$44,900
Sleep 8, Lockout: \$38,000 to \$45,900
Sleep 10, 2 Bdrm: \$63,900 to \$69,900
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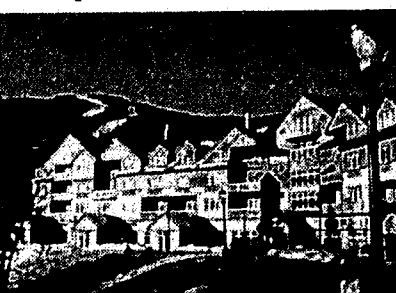


CONDOMINIUMS

Sunday River offers over 700 condominiums spread across the resort, all slopeside. Sizes range from studio units to four bedroom, four bathroom townhouses. All properties include full kitchens, owner lockers, access to saunas, hot tubs, indoor or outdoor pools, restaurants as well as a host of other amenities including slopeside parking.

FEATURE OF THE WEEK
LOCKE MOUNTAIN TOWNHOMES

This is a rare find in Sunday River's most desirable location. Ski onto the Wildlife Trail from the back door of this exquisite townhome. Custom tile work, hardwood floors, four bedrooms, three and one half baths, open floor plan with living, dining, kitchen and den area. A polished granite fireplace surrounded by panoramic views of the mountains in Riley Township complete the picture. Additional features include a family room, laundry, deck and plenty of storage. Perfect of entertaining or as a quiet and discreet get-away. A must for the most discriminating of buyers. Call for further details.



JORDAN GRAND RESORT HOTEL

Tucked away in the Western Mountains of Maine and set in a spectacular ski-in/ski-out location, the Jordan Grand Resort Hotel is a premier address at Sunday River that brings back the feeling of a time gone by. Amenities are plentiful and genuine friendliness is a given. Spectacular panoramic views of the Sunday River Valley and Riley Township mountains surround this magnificent property.

This Resort of International Distinction (as rated by RCI) has all the amenities one would expect to find at a first class property, along with the additional privileges that interval ownership at any of the American Skiing Company's Grand Resort Hotel properties affords.

Examples of ownership opportunities include the following:

Sleep 8, 1 Bdrm: \$69,000 to \$89,000
(With Loft)
Sleep 6, Lockout: \$40,000 to \$55,700
(Dormer Units Available)
Sleep 8, Lockout: \$57,800 to \$64,900
Sleep 8, Lockout: \$54,900 to \$88,500
(With Deck)
Sleep 12, Triple Lockout: \$119,000
Sleep 8, 2 Bdrm: \$94,900 to \$189,500
Sleep 8, Lockout: \$38,000 to \$45,900
Sleep 10, Penthouse: \$175,000
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Obituaries

DWIGHT G. STILES

Dwight G. Stiles, 83, of 1547 East Side River Road, Dummer, N.H., died May 15, 2003 at Weeks Medical Center in Lancaster.

Born Nov. 18, 1919, in Dummer, he was the son of Ernest C. and Bessie A. (Gould) Stiles. He attended school in Dummer and Tilton, and graduated from Gould Academy in 1937. He earned a bachelor of science and a master's in agricultural education from the University of New Hampshire.

Mr. Stiles taught vocational agriculture for a year, then began farming. He was active in various farm organizations and had a farm machinery business called E.C. Stiles and Sons for 12 years. He served as an assistant Coos County agricultural agent in 1958, then became the Coos County agricultural agent in 1959. During this time he was very active in numerous agricultural organizations.

Mr. Stiles was president of the N.H. Young Farmers Association, director of the County Farm Bureau, director of the State Farm Bureau, active in the Subordinate and Pomona Grange, a member of the Coos County Cooperative Extension Service Council, a member of the Coos County Agricultural

Resolutions of Respect

Whereas our Heavenly Father has called our beloved brother, Richard Hosterman, from earthly duties to the Great Grange above; and, whereas his years of support are most appreciated and his wit and good humor will be greatly missed by the members of the Pleasant Valley Grange:

Resolved that we, the members of Pleasant Valley Grange #136, extend our sincerest sympathy to the bereaved family.

Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our records; a copy be sent to the "Bethel Citizen" to be printed therein; and a copy be sent to the family of our beloved brother as a token of respect.

Committee of Resolutions

Ina Grover

Verna Thayer

Pauline Applin

Stabilization and Conservation Committee, and a member of the State Farmers Home Administration Committee.

He was also active as a coach of the 4-H Dairy Judging Team. They placed in State and National Competition. In 1968, he became an area potato specialist in Aroostook County for the University of Maine Cooperative Extension.

While living in Fort Kent, he was a member and deacon of the Christ Congregational Church and an active member of the Lions Club.

Following World War II, Mr. Stiles worked for the state Department of Education and the Veterans Administration. He worked as an instructor with returning veterans interested in enhancing their farming skills.

Mr. Stiles received many awards and citations including: the Distinguished Service National Award in 1977, Outstanding Service to Maine Agriculture Award in 1983, Outstanding Service to the Potato Industry of America Award in 1984 and Extension Educator Professor Emeritus bestowed by the University of Maine in 1984.

In 1984, after retirement, he moved to Dummer, N.H., and was very active in town affairs and as a member of the Dummer Community Church, where he was chairman of the building committee.

The family includes his wife, Lorna (Wakefield) Stiles of Dummer; a daughter, Mrs. Raymond (Diane) Holt of Fort Kent; four grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and many cousins. He was predeceased by a son, Dwight Stiles Jr.; and a grandson, Timothy Holt.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Dummer Community Church Building Fund, c/o Rachel Jewett, East Side River Road, Dummer, N.H. 03588.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank all our family and friends for the cards and gifts at our housewarming party. A special thank you to our daughter Velora and her family for engineering the whole thing.

Again, Many Thanks,
Paul & Charlotte



PEARLINE M. McMILLIN

Pearline M. McMillin, age 84, of High Street, Bethel, died Wednesday, May 28, 2003 at Stephens Memorial Hospital in Norway.

She was born in Lisbon Falls on June 24, 1918, a daughter of Alcide and Beatrice Fournier Paradis. She attended Lisbon schools and graduated from Lisbon High School in 1935. She then attended and graduated from Bates College in 1939.

She worked for the State of Maine as a social worker for the Department of Human Services for 15 years until 1954, when she married Roderick McMillin. She then became bookkeeper for the family construction company, R.S. McMillin Construction. Mr. McMillin died in 1971.

Mrs. McMillin was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary of Bethel, the Bethel Historical Society and was also a communicant of Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church. She was a very avid bridge player.

She had a very special fondness

for her two nephews and niece who survive her; Wayne Brann and his wife Kim of Florida and Bruce Brann and his companion, Dolores of Lisbon; her niece, Joan Kronstrand and her husband, Kenneth, also of Lisbon.

A graveside service was held on Monday, June 2, at the Riverside Cemetery in Bethel with Rev. Maurice Lebel officiating. If desired, donations can be made in her memory to the Bethel Fire Department, PO Box 1660, Bethel, ME 04217.

SCOTT BLANCHARD

Scott Blanchard, 51, of South Paris, died Friday, May 30, 2003, at Stephens Memorial Hospital.

He was born in Amesbury, Mass., on June 16, 1951, the son of James and Constance Coolidge Blanchard. He graduated from Telstar High School in 1971.

He is survived by his mother of Limerick; two brothers, Steven Blanchard of Limerick and David Blanchard of Greenwood; a nephew, Kyle Blanchard of Limerick; two nieces Kimberly and Regan Blanchard both of Limerick. He was predeceased by his father.

Graveside services will be held on Saturday, June 7, at 10 a.m. at Norway Pine Grove Cemetery in South Paris.

Earl "George" Cummings

Family and friends of Earl "George" Cummings are invited to attend a memorial service on Saturday, June 7, at 11 a.m. at Riverside Cemetery, Bethel. A celebration of his life will be held immediately following the service at Wayne Cummings' camp on Songo Pond.

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Births

Taleah Paradis and Jason Buck of Milton are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Kaitlyn Ann Buck, born on April 22, 2003 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 pounds, 9 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Kelly Olson of Bethel and Wayne and Sharon Paradis of McIndoe Falls, Vt.

Paternal grandparents are Debbie McKenna of Milton and Larry Buck of Rumford.

Kaitlyn joins a sister, Kaylee, age one.

Christy and Seth Pitcher of Andover are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Keagan Thomas, born on April 24, 2003 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 pounds, 2 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Mary and Brian Richardson of Andover. Paternal grandparents are Carrie and Ed McPherson of Hanover and Thomas and Helene Pitcher of Rumford.

Skip and Jennifer Bennett of Bethel are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Lydia Marie, born on April 24, 2003 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 8 pounds, 11 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Bill and Betty Whitehead of Columbia, S.C.

Paternal grandparent is Andrea Bennett of Bethel. Lydia joins her brothers, Jacob, 5, and Matthew, 4.

Aric and Crystal Beane of Anchorage, Alaska, are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Kaylea Rhae, born on April 24, 2003, weighing 7 pounds, 13 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are John and Leatrice Chase of Locke Mills. Paternal grandparents are Irene Beane of Rumford and Albert Beane of Bryant Pond.

Great-grandparents are Beatrice Farnum of Bryant Pond, Helen Chase of Greenwood, Frances Bail-

largeon of Milford and William Beane of Skowhegan.

Rodney and Andrea Moore of South Paris are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Emily Nathania, born on April 27, 2003 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 8 pounds, 11 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Gary and Melody Danforth of Wales.

Paternal grandparents are Cecil Moore of Oxford and Robert and Rhea Kennelly of West Sumner.

Emily joins a brother, Cameron, age 20 months.

Blaine and Alison Dry are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Julia Rose, born on March 7, 2003 in Naples, Fla.

Maternal grandparents are Alan and Louise Chapman of Bryant Pond.

Paternal grandparents are Bob and Dolle Dry of St. Simons Island, Ga.

Julia joins sister Dahlia, age 2.

Heath and Karole-Ann Keniston of South Paris are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Daniel Heath, born on May 22, 2003, at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 9 pounds, 15 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Harlan and Kathy Bean of South Paris. Paternal grandparents are David and Jodi Keniston of Norway.

Tanya Cole and Tony Mason of South Paris are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Logan Hunter Mason, born on May 9, 2003, at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 8 pounds.

Maternal grandparents are Ronald and Paula Cole of Greenwood.

Paternal grandparents are Kenneth Mason of East Bethel and Verlie Mason of Sumner.

Logan joins a sister, Sierra Destyni, age 4.

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To Laura who makes us smile or melt away whenever she comes near. The pretty one with lovely eyes and hair, heart's leaning toward her sunlight all the while. Even we, Grampa and Nana, lean toward you. Grieved with pride in all that you have done. Rejoicing the compliments you've won. Allot with all the ways we might reward you. Draw your own sweet dreams. We wish you well upon your graduation and beyond. And if we could, we would wave our magic wand that happiness for you we might compel. Even as we think what time might tell.
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FREE Child Safety Seat Workshop

Did you know...

- Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death among children between ages 1 and 18
- 9 out of 10 car seats in Maine are not being used properly.
- Maine's new law requires children to ride in a child safety restraint until age 8 or 80 pounds.

With today's ever changing laws and motor vehicle designs, many questions arise regarding the legal requirements and proper use of child safety seats. In order to better inform the public in these very important safety matters, the Bethel Police Department is sponsoring a FREE child safety seat workshop conducted by the Child Health Center of Maine.

Sunday, June 8th from 2 to 4pm
Crescent Park Elementary School, Mason St., Bethel, Maine

This workshop will include a basic overview of:

- Types of car seats and booster seats
- Automobile seatbelt systems and airbags
- Current safety requirements
- Car seat installation tips and guidelines
- Second-hand car seats
- Common car seat misuse errors
- Recall and unsafe product information

To help better serve you, please RSVP to the Bethel Police Department at (207) 824-3437 to reserve your space.

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Wednesday, June 18, 2003 ~ 4pm
Town Office Meeting Room
In conjunction with its regular monthly meeting, the Bethel Airport Authority will discuss airport goals and objectives for the Bethel Regional Airport. The public is invited to attend.
This is part of a statewide aviation planning process to update the Maine Aviations Systems Plan that is being prepared by the Maine Department of Transportation, Office of Passenger Transportation. A representative from the Department will be present to hear public comments.
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